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FORM DANCE.

t to Take Place This Eve- Home of Henry Mar- rth of the City.

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RESERVOIRS BREAK.

The Loosened Waters Rush Down Upon Sleeping Inhabitants with Fatal Effect.

NINE DROWNED, OTHERS MISSING

The Calamity Took Place Near Duchess Junction, N. Y., at 3 O'clock This Morning—Reservoirs are Owned by Private Parties.

Newburg, N. Y., July 14.—The Melzingah reservoir in the Fishkill mountains near Mattewan burst at 3 o'clock this morning owing to the heavy rains. The water ran into the creek and two miles below, near Duchess Junction, washed away the brick yard buildings including a boarding house occupied by the laborers. It is reported that nine were drowned and others are missing.

There are two reservoirs in the mountains half a mile apart. The upper one gave way, letting the water into the lower reservoir This also burst and the water rushed down through the ravine to Van Buren and Timony's brick yard, on the Hudson just below Duchesse Junction, a mile distant from the site of the lower reservoir, without warning. The flood when it reached them through the ravine made terrible havoc. Buildings were torn to pieces and the occupants were carried away in the raging flood.

The water works system is operated by a private company and supplies Mattewan and Fishkill-on Hudson.

Heard at Poughkeepsie.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., July 14.—The news of the bursting of the Beacon mountain reservoirs received here says three buildings, two of them boarding houses, were swept away and 20 people are missing Five bodies have been recovered. They are: Peter Mulligan and wife, mother and child and wife of engineer of brick yard.

ILLINOIS FEDERAL AP'OINTMENTS

A Slate said to Have Been Agreed Upon Which Makes Pavey Pension Agent.

Washington, July 14.—This slate of local offices has been practically decided upon as the result of the series of conference between the president and Senators Cullom and Mason

Assistant Treasurer—William Williams

Collector of Customs—William Penn Nixon

Collector of Internal Revenue—Fred E. Coyne

Appraiser—David E. Shanahan.

District Attorney—Sol Bethea of Dixon

Marshal—John Ames of Streator.

Pension Agent—C W. Pavey of Mount Vernon

It will be observed that as usual the statesman from Sangamon county has been holding a basket while Mr. Mason was shaking the tree. About all the Chicago senator gets from the deal is the appointment of Coyne as internal revenue collector, and this he will get right away, for an official request has already been sent to Collector Mize for his immediate resignation. This will precipitate the appointment of all the Chicago officers in all probability. They will be filled as nearly as possible on the lines laid down above, and it would be a good wager that the slate given will be adhered to without a break.

All of the candidates for the pension agency are here, but neither Merriam nor Clements appears to be making much headway. The understanding is that Mr. Dawes and some other representatives of the original McKinley movement made such pledges to General Pavey that they absolutely must be redeemed. Senator Mason was very anxious to secure the appointment of State Senator Sawyer of Streator as United States marshal for the northern district but he recognizes now that his efforts are in vain, for Walter Reeves, in whose district Streator is, persistently indorses Ames and declines to support Sawyer, and the latter is to be dropped, although he was a faithful supporter of Senator Mason.

Members of the Illinois delegation are trying to find out why it is that "Billy" Lorimer has become the special friend of Postmaster Gordon. He introduced a bill today to raise the salary of the office to $5000 a year, and provided that it should take effect July 15, 1898, which is the beginning of the next fiscal year.

WILL MEET IN CHICAGO.

Recreant Mrs. Bradbury Will There be Forgiven by Her Charitable Husband.

San Francisco, July 14.—Mrs. John Bradbury, wife of the Los Angeles millionaire, who eloped with W. R. Ward, and was subsequently arrested in this city, is speeding away on an eastbound train toward Chicago, free from the toils of the law and innocent, so the court declares, of the crime charged against her. Ward, the man who induced her to leave home, stays behind, held under a cash bond of $2000 to answer to the charges brought by the society for the prevention of vice.

Mrs. Barning, Mrs. Bradbury's mother, aided by influential friends, has accomplished the purpose for which she came to the city, and is accompanying her daughter on her journey.

From the other end of the continent Colonel Bradbury is said to be approaching his wife to extend forgiveness.

It is understood there is to be a reunion in Chicago and the couple will go south. Mrs. Ward and her babies are in London, England.

GOV. TANNER'S POLICY.

Will Not Temporize in Preserving the Public Peace.

Springfield, Ill., July 14.—Governor Tanner is of the opinion that the coal miners' strike will result in bloodshed. He expressed himself to this effect during a conversation with officers of the First Infantry. In discussing the possibility of trouble and the employment of troops, he said:

"I have never seen a strike which assumed the proportions of the present one that did not end in bloodshed. I hope that the present difficulty may be settled peacefully, but in the event of serious trouble I have decided upon my course of action. I shall first exhaust the power of the constabulary of the state, and in the event of sheriffs and other peace officers failing to properly preserve order, I will order the National Guard into service. If this is done there will be no playing, nor will there be any hesitation in sending enough troops to properly preserve order Violation of the public peace and order will be severely dealt with, and no United States troops will be requested until the soldiers of the state have acknowledged themselves unable to maintain order.

The governor stated that he did not wish to pose as an alarmist, but intimated that he would not wait for wholesale trouble before acting. At the first appearance of disorder his plan is to stop it without ceremony, if the entire force of the state is required.

THEY WILL TRY PRAYER.

Must Raise $250,000 by January or Lose Woman's Temple.

Chicago, July 14.—The efficacy of prayer is to be tried by the Woman's Christian Temperance union in the matter of raising the $250,000 necessary to clear the Woman's Temple from debt

The union has set aside Monday next as the special day of prayer.

Should the debt not be paid before January next the building at Monroe and LaSalle streets will pass into the hands of Marshall Field. The amount owed is about $300,000, and of this Mr. Field has agreed to pay $50,000 if payment is made before the first of the year.

There will be two prayer meetings Monday, one in the forenoon and one at 2 p. m., the two lasting nearly five hours

IMPRISONED IN A MINE.

John Stevens Answers Signals After Being Without Food for Nine Days.

Phoenix, Ariz., July 14.—John Stevens, the miner imprisoned by a cave in nine days ago is still alive and answers the signals of the rescuing party. It is believed that by Friday morning the boring may reach him through which he may be supplied with food, water and other necessaries.

Instructor in Illinois University.

Bloomington, Ill., July 14.—Prof. Chester H. Rowell, of this city, eldest son of Hon. J. H. Rowell, ex-congressman from this district, has been appointed instructor of the German language, literature and philosophy in the University of Illinois at Champaign. He is a graduate of Ann Arbor, and completed his education in the German universities. He was private secretary to his father during the latter's congressional term, and was connected with the work of the house committee on elections of the fifty-first congress, of which committee his father was chairman.

Andree and His Balloon.

Stockholm, July 14.—A dispatch from Hammerfest, Norway, the northernmost town of Europe, from the officers of the steamer Lofoten, says they visited the aeronaut Andree on Danish Island the 10th instant, and that Andree said he would not be ready to start for the north pole before the 15th. A storm from the north on the 2nd nearly carried off the balloon Since then the north wind has been continuous.

News of a Break in West Virginia.

Columbus, Ohio, July 14.—Word was received at the miners headquarters that the men at Aurora in the Fairmount, W. Va., region struck this morning. The request for organizers there has been complied with.

REPUBLICAN LEAGUE CONVENT'N

Combinations on Officers and the Seat of the Next Convention.-Rules Adopted.

Detroit, Mich., July 14.—Combinations on the officers of the National League of Republican clubs and the location of the next convention were the topic of active discussion among the delegates prior to calling to order of today's session. The three leading combinations are about as follows: L. J. Crawford, of Kentucky, for president, Secretary Dowling again for secretary, Omaha for next convention. Fred W. Fleitz, of Pennsylvania for president; Dowling for secretary and Chicago or next convention. A. M. Higgins, of Indiana, for president., Dowling for secretary; Kansas City next convention.

Chairman Woodmansee called the convention to order. The committee on rules reported in favor of the rules of the fifty-third congress to govern the convention and delegations east to cast a full vote. The report was adopted.

The report of the committee on credentials was received and adopted The committee on resolutions then reported a platform declaring unfaltering allegiance to the "principles and policies of the party of protection, sound money, reciprocity and patriotism, as expressed in the St. Louis platform. The faith which prompted nomination and election of William McKinley and a Republican congress has been justified, and we congratulate the country on the evidence of returning prosperity." The platform commends the president and congress in sending a monetary commission to Europe; for inaugurating measures for the annexation of Hawaii; for their attitude toward the Cuban war. It urges upon congress the earliest possible passage of discriminating duty to protect American shipping. Congress is commended for fostering the beet sugar industry. The question of equal suffrage for women was recommended to the members of the league as a matter of education. Cleveland's civil service changes were vigorously condemned and a modification of the provisions of that law is favored in the interest and good of the service and to correct the injustice alleged to have been perpetrated. The restriction of immigration is favored. Sympathy is expressed with the miners and other laboring men in a peaceful struggle for living wages Several negroes tried hard to offer a resolution against lynching, but the president ruled it out of order on the ground that the convention had ordered all resolutions referred to the committee on resolutions without debate. The convention then proceeded to elect officers

The roll of states was called for nominations for president Indiana named M A Higgins of Terre Haute, Kentucky presented Leonard J Crawford, Michigan offered Grant Fellows of Hudson, New Jersey nominated Congressman Thomas McCowan of Jersey City, Pennsylvania put forward Frederick Fleitz. Seconding speeches followed.

Crawford was elected on the first ballot The committee on location decided in favor of Omaha for the next convention.

HENLEY-ON-THAMES RACES.

Dr. W. S. McDowell of Chicago Wins the Diamond Scull Race in a Walk.

Henley on-Thames, July 14—The trial heats of the Henley Regatta began today. A stiff wind blew at intervals from both shores The crowd is not as large as usual. In the grand challenge Cup heats the Leander club beat the Thames rowing club in perfect style by one and three quarters lengths. Time 7:31. Trinity Hall beat the London Rowing club.

In the heats for the diamond sculls, J. J. Bluesse of Dehoope Rowing club, Amsterdam, beat S. Fairbair, of Jesus college, Cambridge.

In the trial heat for the diamond scull Dr. W. S. McDowell, of the Delaware Boat club of Chicago beat Hon. E. A. Guiness of the Thames Rowing clubs. McDowell won easily by a length. Time 9:10 1 5. McDowell made a splendid start. His easy, powerful stroke giving him an advantage which he never lost to the end of the race. From Temple Island he seemed to be merely daddling as far as exertion is concerned. He reached the ½ mile in three minutes five seconds and was then three lengths ahead. He rowed a beautiful race, not giving Guiness any wash. He reached the ¾ stake in five minutes, the mile stake in 6:51. Here Guiness made a spurt which reduced McDowell's lead by two boat lengths but McDowell had plenty of reserve and soon drew ahead again.

In the trial heat for Stoward's challenge cup, Winnipeg rowing club beat the Utrecht university boat club, Triton.

Gov. Drake Seriously Hurt.

Des Moines, Iowa, July 14.—Governor Drake was injured this morning by a fall on the steps of the capitol. He struck on his hip, which was penetrated by a bullet during the war. The injury may prove serious, as his physician advised him that a severe blow there would be dangerous.

ADMITTED IN SPAIN.

Public Declaration that the Cubans Are More Formidable than Two Years Ago.

THE SITUATION NOT IMPROVING.

Unexpected Activity of the Cubans in Pinar del Rio, Matanzas and Havana, Give Lie to Weyler's Claims.

New York, July 14.—A special from Madrid dated June 28 says:

The government no longer attempts to impress the Spanish people with the belief that Cuba is pacified or is likely to be so soon. The prevailing belief here today is that never since Maximo Gomez and Maceo fell upon the overconfident Martinez Campos and entered the western provinces has the Cuban insurrection been so formidable as it is now. Colonel Alas said yesterday to a group of politicians at the Salon de Conferencias in the Chamber of Deputies:

"It must be recognized that the alleged inactivity of Maximo Gomez, who has been represented to be roaming about the farms La Reforma and Teresa, with no end in view, except to avoid a serious encounter with General Weyler's soldiers, constitutes a most brilliant page in his career. If Maximo Gomez, anxious to win ephemeral glory, had ventured upon another raid to the western territory, he would surely have facilitated the execution of General Weyler's attempt to strike a death blow at the insurrection, for, with his large army concentrated in a comparatively small district, with railroads and telegraph lines strongly protected by forts, and the towns all garrisoned, the insurgent chief, however shrewd and smart, would most surely have succumbed in a struggle in which all the odds were against him.

"But, by remaining in the center of the island, Gomez has accomplishd what, at the beginning of the campaign, when 65,000 soldiers were added to the already large army of Spain in Cuba, appeared to every impartial observer to be impossible, that is, he has made it possible to maintain the insurrection in the provinces of Havana and Matanzas, where the poor insurgents have no natural defenses To prevent Gomez's advance to the west and thus give an appearance of truth to his story of pacification, General Weyler had to divide his army into several corps, none of which was sufficiently strong to carry out his plan of gradually crushing the insurrection.

"Thus the insurgents in Pinar del Rio, Havana and Matanzas were allowed to move with comparative ease, while those in the province of Santa Clara, where the Spanish troops were considerably more numerous, resorted to a trick which has always worked successfully with the Cuban insurgent. They scattered throughout the extensive province in groups of from 10 to 20 men, who could easily obtain food and elude capture.

"Now that the rainy season has come, the situation is entirely different. The Spanish army loses now more than one-half of its force. The official reports place the number of sick soldiers at from 15,000 to 20,000, but these figures include only those who are seriously sick in the hospitals. There are twice as many who, suffering from no definite illness, are none the less unfit for campaign service.

"This explains how, after several months of seeming paralysis, which led some to believe that, after all, General Weyler was right in declaring the western provinces pacified, the insurgents begin to operate with an activity which arouses the astonishment of all, even of those who always refused to share the optimistic views of General Weyler and the government as to the situation in Cuba."

The feeling described by the renowned military editor of La Correspondencia de Espana has been intensified since Senor Silvela, now leader of the third monarchical party, made his bold and premeditated allusion to the possible abandonment of Cuba. People discuss this solution of the conflict with a degree of calmness which is far from reflecting the sentiment of those whose motto had, until now, been to fight for the maintenance of Spain's rights in Cuba until the last dollar was spent and the last man used.

To remove all doubts, if any remained, as to the actual power of the insurrection, the correspondent of El Imparcial in Havana cables by way of Key West:

"The situation, far from improving, every day becomes more and more gravely particularly in the western provinces where the insurgents frequently commit all sorts of outrages, despite the fact that the soldiers are as numerous there as they were before the province became pacified. The condition in Havana province is most serious."

FARMER STARTS WITH LANTERN.

Dakota Visitor Prepares to See the "Shady Side" of Chicago.

Chicago, July 14.—Julius Gunderson, farmer, had never seen the "shady side" of Chicago, though he had been told about it, and it whetted his desire to visit the levee. Gunderson is about 60 years old, but spry, and calls himself game when he is at home. He hails from Vermilion, S. D., and whizzed into Chicago yesterday morning over the Northwestern route. Some of his friends had told him he would have to get a lantern if he desired to see the "shady side" of Chicago, so this he did the first thing after reaching town. He lit it, and, being directed to the levee district, proceeded thither. Thousands who passed him thought he had just escaped from Kankakee or Dunning.

Undaunted by the amusement he created, the old man pushed along to his destination and found it. He soon fell in with a smooth talking man, who Gunderson was sure was just the right sort of a plain and honest companion he had been looking for. The man proposed that Gunderson go with him to Lincoln park to see the remains of dead animals which he said he had heard had been strewn about the park by a recent upheaval and overflow of the lake. Gunderson went blithely along, but when he reached a secluded section of the park, his companion got $200 of his money and disappeared. When the victim saw he had been victimized he found his way to Central station and reported his loss. Several detectives were sent out to find the man who had entertained the Dakota visitor.

Miners Rioting at Danville.

Danville, Ill., July 14.—Strife between the miners commenced in this district last night. Four or five hundred Belgian strikers and other foreigners gathered at the Pawnee mine, and when a cage full of colored miners, who had been at work, reached the top of the shaft, they were assaulted with different kinds of weapons some using knives and others staves. One of the colored miners Reed secured a bar of iron and a revolver and in defending his life shots were fired wounding several strikers. This infuriated the striking miners and they retaliated by an exchange of shots at the same time retreating to the woods The strikers piled ties on the Chicago and Eastern Illinois tracks and also tried to break a switch and wreck a train carrying the working miners to the city. The miners inside the coaches opened fire on them. About fifty shots were exchanged. It is reported that one miner was killed.

For Postmaster at Peoria.

Peoria, Ill., July 14.—Congressman Graff this morning announced that he would recommend Ed Hull to the president for postmaster of Peoria. Hull came here three years ago from Lewistown. During the last campaign he acted as Congressman Graff's personal representative. His nomination is very strongly antagonized and the friends of the other candidates declare they will take the fight before the president. The appointment will not be made before next March.

Watching Anarchists in Paris.

Paris, July 14.—Anarchist threats have caused special precautions today to protect President Faure, while en route to the review. Many suspects have been arrested. Over one hundred and fifty detectives on bicycles are ready at various points to pursue anarchists in case any emergency should arise.

Spreckles Begins Another Suit.

San Francisco, July 14.—Claus Spreckles has begun another million dollar libel suit against the Examiner. The libel complained of is published in the shape of a clipping from the Petaluma Courier, June 7.

Hawaii All Right.

Washington, July 14.—The senate committee on foreign relations has agreed to report the resolution for the ratification of the Hawaiian treaty for annexation without amendment.

BASE BALL.

National League.

Baltimore 10, St. Louis 5.

Pittsburg 7, Washington 4.

Chicago 11, Brooklyn 4.

Philadelphia 4-9, Louisville 3-7—two games.

Cincinnati 4, New York 5.

Cleveland 8. Boston 5.

Western League.

Milwaukee 9, Minneapolis 4.

How They Stand.

	Won.	Lost.	Pr. ct
Boston	46	18	.719
Cincinnati	42	20	.677
Baltimore	42	21	.667
New York	38	24	.613
Cleveland	35	30	.538
Philadelphia	32	37	.464
Pittsburg	30	34	.469
Brooklyn	30	36	.455
Chicago	29	38	.434
Louisville	26	38	.406
Washington	24	39	.381
St. Louis	13	53	.197

MARKET REPORT.

BY H. Z. TAYLOR.

Chicago, July 14.—Wheat opened higher this morning and was steady to strong all day, with good trade and fairly active market, though features were few. The cables were higher, Liverpool being ⅞d up at the start, and closing ½d higher for spot and 1⅛ to 1½ higher for future. London was firmer, with upward tendency. Outside markets were also steady to strong. There was a lot of long wheat sold during the morning, which had a tendency, of course, to check the advance, but the bulls were confident and were good buyer of September around 67c. Bradstreet came out today, as usual, with his world's availables, which showed a decrease in wheat of 4,946,000 bushels. The total clearances today were not extraordinarily large, being, in fact, the smallest so far this week, but the flour cleared today was almost as much as cleared on Monday and Tuesday together. The wheat cleared today was but 4490, and the flour reached 25,156, a total of 118,000 bushels of wheat, which makes the total for the week so far 516,000 bushels, and for the month so far 2,096,000 bushels. Minneapolis got 139 cars of wheat today, and Duluth got 54, a total of 184, against 187 (Minneapolis 122, Duluth 45) a week ago and 272 (Minneapolis 110, Duluth 161) a year ago. 19 cars graded, of the 31 received, and of the 31 5 were new No 1 red.

Corn opened where it left off yesterday, and with fair trade and not inactive market, was steady to firm all day until nearing the close, when there was a slight down turn. Cables were higher, Liverpool reporting corn as quieter and ¼d higher at the start and unchanged for spot and ¼d higher for futures at the close. The corn market is not attracting so much attention now the speculative edge having been taken off of it. Bradstreet's reports showed that corn had made a decrease of 58,000 bushels and the month so far 4,818,314. 286 graded.

Oats opened about where they closed, and played around close to the opening all day, with rather small trade and not active market. July closing above yesterday and September below. Bradstreet said oats decreased 588,000 bushels. 21 cars graded.

Provisions opened about where they left off, and with fair trade but not active market were narrow, with slight downward tendency.

Peoria.

Peoria, Ill., July 14.—Corn steady, No. 2, 24¾; oats quiet, No. 2 white, 19½; rye quiet, nominal.

Chicago—Poultry.

Chicago, July 14.—Live poultry weaker, turkeys 6 to 7, chickens 7½, springers 12 to 14, ducks 6 to 7. Butter, extras, firm, others weak, creameries 11½ to 14½, dairies 9 to 12; eggs firm, 8 to 8½.

New York—Butter.

New York, July 14.—Butter steady, 11 to 15½, eggs firm, 11½ to 12.

New York.

New York, July 14.—September wheat 75¼, corn 31½, oats 22.

St. Louis.

St Louis, July 14.—Wheat, cash 70, September 69; corn, cash 24¼, September 24¼, oats, cash 17, September 18.

CHICAGO, Ill., July 14

	Opening.	Highest	Lowest	Closing.
Wheat—				
July	72	72¾	71⅝	72¼
Sept	67⅝	67¾	66⅝	67
Dec. (New)	69	69⅝	68½	68¾
Corn—				
July	25⅞	25⅞	25½	25¾
Sept	26⅝	26⅝	26⅜	26⅜
Dec	27¾	27¾	27⅜	27⅝
Oats—				
July	17⅞	18⅛	17⅞	18
Sept	18⅛	18⅛	18	18
Dec	—	—	—	—
Pork—				
Sept	7 60	7 60	7 37½	7 45
Lard				
Sept	3.90	3 92	3.87	3 90
Ribs				
Sept	4 32½	4 32½	4 25	4 27½

Sept wheat: Puts, 66⅝; Calls, 67⅛; Curb, 67.

To-Day's Receipts—Car Lots.

Wheat—31. Estimated, 31. Year ago, 107

Corn—414; Estimated, 600; a year ago, 203.

Oats—171; Estimated 170; a year ago, 103.

Estimates for To-Morrow.

Wheat, 12; Corn, 450; Oats, 260.

Hogs.

Hog receipts, 23,000; estimated 30,000.

Market shade higher.

Light, $3.35@$3.55; Mixed, $3.30@$3.50; Heavy, $3.30@$3.46; Rough, $3.05@$3.26.

Estimated for to-morrow, 30,000.

Cattle.

Cattle receipts, 9,000. Market steady.

Presidential Nominations.

Washington, July 14.—The president nominated W. L Merry of California minister to Nicaragua, Costa Rica and Salvador; H. N. Allen of Ohio, minister to Corea. To be consuls: From Illinois, S. E. Magill, at Tampico, Mex.; G. J. Corey, at Amsterdam, Netherlands; D.T. Phillips, at Cardiff, Wales, Adam Lieberknecht, at Zurich, Switzerland; W. H. Bradley, at Turnstall, England; E. Z. Brodowski, at Breslau, Germany.

Sales of Real Estate.

Thomas J. Allen to Henly Richard, lot 12 in block 3 of Niantic $550.

Bertie Lowry to M. M. Lowry, lot 13 in block 1 of E. B. Durfee's second addition, $1600.

Jane E. Park to W. H. Grindol, lot 20 in block 1 of Park Place, $350.

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THE EPWORTH LEAGUE.

Third International Convention to Be Held in Toronto

It Will Begin July 15—An Elaborate and Interesting Programme Prepared—Some of Those Who Will Be Present.

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The third international convention of the Epworth League will be held at Toronto beginning July 15 Preparations are now making for the reception and entertainment of several thousand delegates and their friends The meeting will have especial significance from the prominent public men who will attend and take part in it. Gov Hastings, of Pennsylvania, and Gov Atkinson, of West Virginia, will be among these, and they will include the most conspicuous dignitaries of the Methodist church

In the arrangement of the programme for this international meeting the principle adopted has been that the Methodist Episcopal church should have one half the speakers presiding officers, etc, and that the Methodist Episcopal church south and the Methodist Episcopal church of Canada should divide the remaining honors between them An effort has been made to have every state in the union, every province of Canada, and every conference of the league represented in the programme

Registration quarters for the convention will be at the armory, which is the drill hall for the Dominion militia It is a new building, and of ample size to accommodate all the delegates at one time It will not be used for meetings however, these will be held in Massey music hall, which holds about 4,000 persons the Metropolitan church which will accommodate about 2 500, Cooke's (Presbyterian) church, which will hold about the same number, and in the evening in the Pavilion, which stands in the Horticultural gardens

Visitors as they arrive, will be met by a reception committee, which will direct them to their lodging-places or suggest available hotels Scouting committees will meet each train at least 15 miles from the city, so that every visitor will feel that he has a hearty welcome to the convention city A homes committee has listed private houses and hotels which will accommodate 20 000 visitors in all, and the delegates, after registering at headquarters, will be assigned to their places if they have not engaged quarters by mail—for many of the delegations have chartered houses for the period of the convention Some of the state and district organizations have made arrangements for meeting places in churches and mission houses

Admission to the meetings will be by badge until 15 minutes before the time for calling the meeting to order, after that the general public will be admitted.

The first meetings will be held at [illegible] Thursday afternoon Hon A S Hardy premier of Ontario, will deliver an address of welcome at Massey hall and Mayor Fleming of Toronto will make a similar address at the [illegible] church Evening meetings will be held at all four of the meeting places

Friday and Saturday there will be sunrise prayer meetings from 6 30 to 7 30 at the Metropolitan church and the Elm Street Methodist church and departmental conferences during the forenoon of Friday in several churches Friday afternoon four meetings will be held simultaneously, and at each addresses will be delivered as follows "Christ in Personal Experience, 'Christ in the Home,' 'Christ in Business, Christ in Politics Christ likeness in Spirit and Service' and "The Missionary Impulse and Motive Friday evening will be devoted to missionary meetings

The feature of Saturday will be an open-air mass meeting to be held at the exhibition grounds at three o'clock in the afternoon Gov Atkinson, of West Virginia, is to preside over this meeting, and Gov Hastings will be one of the speakers It is expected that all the delegates to the convention will be present, as there is a stand on the grounds built to accommodate 12 000 persons One of the features of the meeting will be a chorus of 12 000 voices, led by a military band Denominational rallies and the discussion of 'Temperance and Civic Righteousness will be other features of Saturday

On Sunday there will be services in many churches, and at night farewell meetings will be held

Singing is to be one of the great features of the convention Each place of meeting will have a large choir The great chorus at the mass meeting will be led by Mr Torrington, an experienced class leader Claude Sandy a boy vocalist will sing at some of the meetings, and Prof Excell, who is the author and compiler of a league song book will sing a number of solos Bishop McCabe, better known as "Chaplain McCabe will be present He is the singing member of the board of bishops of the church and is never let off by a great gathering of Methodists without a song.

Bishop McCabe was one of the prisoners at Libby He is not the only interesting figure which will be seen at the convention Bishop Fowler is one of the best known lecturers in the United States One of the incidents of his youth was his heroic work in rescuing passengers from the wreck of the Lady Elgin Bishop Newman, who was President Grant's pastor at Washington is to deliver his well known lecture "Around the Footstool."

Bishop Hurst of Washington one of the leaders in the American university movement, is to preside at one of the daily meetings

The Canadian speakers will include Rev Dr Carman, general superintendent of the Methodist church in Canada, Rev Dr Briggs, Rev Dr John Potts and Rev. Dr. Sutherland The Wesley guild, of England, the Young Peoples society of the English Wesleyan church, is sending Rev Simpson Johnson, one of its secretaries, to represent it

The representatives of the Methodist Episcopal church south will be Bishop Hendrix, Bishop Duncan, Bishop Fitzgerald and Bishop Galloway

Among the noted laymen and women who will have a prominent part in the meetings are Dr R R Doherty, vice president of the literary department of the M E church; O L Doty, a business man of Cleveland, W W Cooper a missionary enthusiast of Kenosha, Wis who was one of the organizers of the league; B. E Helman, of Cleveland another of the organizers of the league; Charles R Magee, of Boston, A M Schoyer, of Pittsburgh, Miss Julia A Robinson, of Chicago, Mrs Annie E Smiley, of Milford, Mass, Mrs R L Greene, of South Boston, and Miss Grace Putnam, of Chattanooga

The official badge for the meeting will be printed in colors The maple leaf the emblem of Canada, will be the central figure Over it will be draped the British and American flags

One of the interesting novelties of the convention will be the attendance of a large number of bicycle riders, who will make the trip to Toronto from the states on their wheels Another noteworthy feature will be the army of reporters present Each district will assign to one or more delegates the duty of presenting a report of the convention so that those who cannot attend may enjoy the meeting at second-hand

SHE SUCCEEDED.

By the Kindness of the Queen a Seat Was Reserved.

An old lady in rural England surprised her friends by announcing at table one night that she would go to London in June to see the jubilee procession Some of her relatives warned her of the burdens of age and failing health, but she would not listen to their objections

"I know,' she said, "that I am 83, but I was in Westminster Abbey when the queen was crowned, and I shall go up to London to see the jubilee parade."

The objectors shifted their ground They mentioned the high prices which windows and platform seats were already commanding, and suggested that she was hardly rich enough to hire any place along the six mile route

'I shall arrange that little detail,' she replied, confidently. 'I shall write to the queen about it She will know my name, for it is one of the oldest in England She will insist upon having a seat provided for me'

The old lady's enthusiasm amused her friends, but she was wiser than they were She wrote a respectful letter to the queen relating her good fortune in having been a witness of the coronation service, and also of the first jubilee festivities ten years ago, and adding that although she was 83 and very feeble she was bent upon going to London and seeing the second jubilee show

The letter was sent to Windsor palace and was [illegible] by the queen herself with little [illegible] She was [illegible] more [illegible] one which [illegible] of the [illegible] reply was [illegible] and was in the [illegible] hand She thought [illegible] for the loyal intent [illegible] that [illegible] the day of the jubilee made she hoped that [illegible] the old lady the first respected of her subjects would [illegible] in the window

When this gracious letter was received the [illegible] triumphant [illegible] upon [illegible] this she has endured herself to her subjects—Youths Companion

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Up-to-Date Bootblack Declares He Needs a Regular Painters Outfit.

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'Shine 'em up sir? Polish?'

He was one of the bright old fashioned bootblacks we read about and had a twisted leg

Haven't tan shoes hurt your business a great deal I asked

"Not! Yes sir this way mister When everybody wore black shoes, a good many men kept blacking kits in their bedrooms and used to get hot in the collar every morning doing their own shines and doing us out of the job But when it comes to tan, and ox blood and pale yellow, and green, and [illegible] kids why they just give it up No man whose time is worth anything in his own business is going to have seven or eight different kinds of pastes and polishes on hand Yes, and lots of 'em even forget to keep stocked up with blacking Honest, I think we get more nickels than before In good neighborhoods, I mean Mebbe business is dull in some parts, where the men mostly wear tan shoes I've seen times in Wall street when brokers would give a quarter for a shine and times when they would pay the limit—go without as long as they could you know"

"And do bootblacks have polishes to fit all the different kinds of shoes?"

"Naw! Of course there's stuff made for every color The shoemakers see to that. And some fellows who have stands in barber shops and places like that keep a good many kinds But the kids on the ferry boats and on the street have oil, and yellow paste, and blacking—that's all; sometimes only the oil and the blacking I keep a good many myself, though; it doesn't cost any more in the long run.

The World's Best Housed Community

There is a greater concentration of wealth in the state of New York than elsewhere, the average per inhabitant being 40 per cent over that of the union at large This is partly shown in the prodigious value of house property, including public buildings, which averages $810 per inhabitant in the state of New York, against $240 for the whole union The six middle states taken collectively, gave an average of $660 of house property per inhabitant, which is double the ratio found in Great Britain, and hence it may be affirmed that the people of these states are, on the whole, the best housed community in the world The average wealth per inhabitant has almost quadrupled in 40 years a marvelous proof of the progress of these states, and unparalleled in Europe, for McCulloch lays it down that only prosperous nations can double their wealth in that interval The accumulation in the middle states per inhabitant has been $10 20 per annum higher than in New England and exactly double the average accumulation yearly in Great Britain in the interval 1860 1895 Agricultural wealth forms only 15 per cent of the total in the middle states, whereas it is 25 per cent in the whole of the union —North American Review

It Was a Natural Error

"Why that's Wagner, isn't it?" asked Ethel, as the strains of music floated on the evening air

"No' said Hawkins "what you hear is the combination of the band up the street playing 'Comrades,' and the steam organ at the merry-go-round down the street playing 'Ta-ra-ra-boom-de-ra'"—Harlem Life

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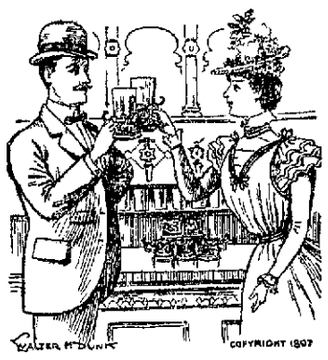

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Go to Chicago Saturday and Sunday, July 17 and 18, via I. C. R. R. Only $2 round trip —10-d1w

Danville has a successful woman aeronaut and acrobat Her name is Mrs. Myrtle Belle Primrose.

Be sure and go via the Wabash to Chicago Saturday and Sunday July 17th and 18th. Only $2.00

In Justice Provost's court Great Harrison was fined $3 and costs for engaging in a fight with Sheep Bryant. Officer Sommerville made the arrest.

The Wabash offers you choice of three trains to Chicago for $2 00 on Saturday and Sunday, July 17th and 18th

Miss Mary Cisco went to the Fourth of July celebration at Waynesville and from there is supposed to have eloped with Joseph Lashier. She is 16 and the man is 22.

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The Illinois Central will run another $2 excursion to Chicago on Saturday and Sunday, July 17 and 18. Tickets good going on 7:10 a. m. and 11.52 a. m. train of Saturday and 1:33 a. m. train of Sunday morning: Good returning on Diamond Special Sunday night.—10 d1w

The King's Daughters gave a very enjoyable supper and social last night at the East Park chapel. This program was given: Song—King's Daughters; Selection, Male Quartet; recitation, Miss Mamie Davis; duet, Misses Hattie Brott and Nellie Christian; reading, Mrs. Shade; Vocal Solo, Miss Jessie Hadson; recitation, Miss Peachie Hinds; duet, Misses Brott and Christian; solo, Miss Athons; selection, Male quartet, Messrs. Earl Merritts, C. T. Vanarsdale, Harry Griswold and Jos. Pierce.

Epworth League Meeting.

There will be a union meeting of the Long Creek and Mount Zion Epworth Leagues at Fort Daniel school house on Sunday afternoon, July 18, at 3 o'clock. All are cordially invited Edw. M. May, M. D., President of Mount Zion League.

Don't think because you are sick and nothing seems to give you relief that you can't be cured.

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ON THE WAY TO CALIFORNIA.

More Incidents of the Decatur Party's Journey to San Francisco.

A few days ago the Republican received a letter from Miss Carrie E Knapp, of the Christian Endeavor party that started from Decatur for California. It is dated July 16, and was mailed at Golden Run, Cal. Miss Knapp writes:

Eds. Republican.—Our party separated at Salida. E. A. West and friends went over the broad guage, but I, with many others went over the narrow guage. We thought we had seen grand scenery but this trip over the narrow guage far exceeded the beauty and grandeur of all the rest of our trip.

When going over the famous Marshall Pass we climbed to the top of the observatory which made us 11,322 feet above sea level. While up there there were people there from Canada, New Hampshire and Illinois in the crowd A gentleman from Canada held up the English flag, but no sooner did it go up than a Rev. Mr. Bullock of Chicago said: "Give me old glory." One of the Decatur party had carried the American flag with her It was handed to Mr. Bullock, who climbed up and held it higher than the English flag. Up went the Canadian, but higher went Mr. Bullock and placed our flag on the highest point. There was great cheering and we all sang "America" Then to be charitable we sang, "God Save the Queen." We all enjoyed this excitement very much.

We passed through the famous Black Canon, with its wonderful falls and magnificent Gunnison river, whose beauty of outline and brilliancy of coloring are unsurpassed on the continent. As night settled down it began to rain and it became necessary for us to move along with great precaution. Too much praise cannot be given the Wabash and other railroads over which we have come for the careful way, our own train at least, has moved To be sure we were late entering Salt Lake City, but we were safe, which was the great and essential thing. We arrived in the Mormon Zion at 6:30 p. m. Saturday and were met about 50 miles out by members of the reception committee, and we found the streets and buildings decorated in honor of the Endeavorers, and the reception committees out in full force to greet us. A pleasant evening was spent looking about the city, and most of our party visited the Saltair Beach and some of our party bathed in the briny water of the lake.

A Sabbath filled with interesting and profitable religious privileges was spent. In the morning many attended the denominational churches. In the afternoon the Grand Inter-Mountain Christian Endeavor mass meeting in the Mormon tabernacle was a monster demonstration. The vast auditorium seats 12,000, with standing room for 3000 more. All of these and more crowded into the great room, giving a view of acres of human beings, like a vast panorama before the eye. The singing was like the sound of many waters, and the great organ (one of the largest in the world) accompanied the voices in tones of thunder

This being the Fourth of July, ringing speeches were made for Christian patriotism, Christian citizenship and the Christian Sabbath, by Rev. Frances E Clark the colored bishop, Arnett and Dr. Pentecost, lately of London and India. Many of our people attended their own denominational services in the evening and others the genuine Mormon service in the tabernacle. Two sermons were delivered by two dignitaries of the Mormon church As usual there was a smooth attempt to defend the Mormon faith and to prove that the virtues of all the creeds are embodied in that of Utah, Zion, and the Mormons have made every effort to make a good impression upon the visiting hosts.

The oldest surviving widow of Brigham Young, "Margaret Pierce," still lives in the Lion House. The old lady was very courtious to the Endeavorers, holding a reception as they came from the tabernacle meeting and freely giving her autograph to all who asked her. Many presented her with their state badges.

The temple grounds are laid out as a park and are beautifully kept. They contain ten acres. Besides the temple and tabernacle within this temple grounds, is the Tithing house. They say the annual income of the tithes is $7,000,000.

Many of our company visited Brigham Young's grove. The Lion House and the Bee Hive were open to visitors and the departed Brigham's carriage was on exhibition in a tent which attracted but few visitors. Many of our people visited Fort Doulgas. I visited friends there and others viewed the United States troops there.

We were delightfully entertained at Ogden, where our train remained over five hours. We are now proceeding on our journey, passing through the Nevada desert and have our first experience with alkali dust.

We just reached Toiono, Nev., which is a shipping point for the natives for 200 miles around. A man had just come into the town, coming for 120 miles with five tons of wool They have two wagons coupled together and drawn by six horses, one each side of the wagon. They have a barrel filled with water as that is their only supply for miles on their journey. This man disposed of the wool at 10 cents per pound. We find many interesting features along our way, among others are Indians and cow boys. Tell our Decatur friends they may not be surprised if all our party do not return to Illinois as not a few of our handsome young ladies have received flattering proposals from the more prosperous cow boys. At every stop of any length many of our people are off the train, some doing missionary work and others sightseeing and others—well—I must tell you of a Decatur brunette. She never fails to see every thing at every place and while out doing missionary work (she said) a bright, handsome cow boy tried to induce her to remain with him, by offering his two large ranches and 2000 head of horses. Of course the temptation was great, but we prevailed on her to wait until her return trip at least.

We are all well, and all join in saying this is by far the pleasantest trip we have ever made.

We have just been passing through the 40 miles of snow sheds and tunnels, and hope to reach San Francisco this evening.

WOODCOCK SEASON.

Can be Killed in Illinois From July 15 to September 15.

Woodcock can be killed legally in this state from July 15 to September 15. This game bird is a difficult bird to hunt. It makes its rendezvous in dense wooded thickets and flies on its rise in a spiral course and then changes to a zig zag flight which makes them difficult to shoot In the southern states they harbor in dense cane brakes and are flushed with dogs especially trained for woodcock hunting. They are hunted in the south in cornfields after dark while digging for worms between the corn rows. A torch is used which shows their eyes as very brilliant This method is called "shining"

Rural Schools.

One of the most important matters brought before the educational convention at Milwaukee was the report of the committee of 12 on rural schools, appointed at the last convention. The members of this committee are representative educators, and they have devoted a great deal of thought to the question submitted to them. According to synopsis of the report, all of the problems relating to rural schools are thoroughly discussed, and helpful suggestions for their improvement are made. At the outset the report declares that for purposes of organization, maintenance or supervision the old district system is no longer desirable, and should be supplanted by the township system, which is already in successful operation in many states. By this plan a larger number of pupils can be concentrated in one building, better teachers obtained, and the school properly graded. By this system, also the assembly hall plan of buildings, with recitation rooms, can be adopted, even in the country to the infinite advantage of the pupils.

The Late C. R Cummings.

Columbus R. Cummings, the railroad magnate, whose death in Chicago was announced in last evening's edition, got his financial start in life over at Pekin He was worth $8,000,000 to $10,000,000. He made most of his money in railroad operations. He was born in New York state, went to Chicago in early manhood and clerked in the store of Potter Palmer. He next removed to Pekin, Ill, and went into business for himself He went into partnership with David Marks, married the only daughter of his partner, and finally fell heir to the whole Marks estate, worth a million. With that start he went back to Chicago and embarked on a meteoric career as a railroad manager. He was associated with Calvin S. Brice and he made his first millions in the Nickel Plate. When he died Mr. Cummings had holdings in numerous railroad properites and other commercial enterprises.

Badly Injured.

Samuel Graves, a young married man, living at 427 East William street, met with a serious accident yesterday afternoon. He was on East Eldorado street and on attempting to jump on the front end of a street car fell and had his left foot badly cut and mashed. He said that the accident was due entirely to his own carelessness. The street had been sprinkled and was slippery and he attempted to jump on the car while it was in the middle of the block without signaling the motorman in time to stop. Graves was taken to his home and Dr. W. M. Catto was called to dress the wound. The foot was cut on the top and on the bottom the flesh was burst open. The cut is such a deep one that it may be necessary to amputate the foot.

S. of V. Sociable.

On Thursday evening the Sons of Veterans and the Ladies' Aid society will give a sociable at the home of Rev. and Mrs J. T. Finley at the corner of Main and Pine streets to which the general public is invited. A literary and musical program has been arranged which promises to be a very happy feature of the occasion. Another very pleasant feature of the evening will be a baton whirling contest. All young men who are expert in handling the stick are invited to enter the competition. Several young ladies from Warrensburg will have numbers on the program. Ice cream and cake will be served.

Death of a Child.

Hattie the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Grusek, died at 10 a. m. Tuesday at the family residence at Blue Mound. The family reside in Decatur, but Mrs. Grusek and her child were visiting friends at Blue Mound when the baby died. The remains were brought to Decatur and the funeral was held this morning from the residence on East Leafland avenue.

CHANGED HER MIND.

Then Changed Her Body.

"Some people fail to arrive at correct conclusions because they are too hasty, and I have to watch myself on that very point," said a lady. "I said to a friend the other day, that I didnt fancy the grain coffee, Postum, although nearly all my friends use it. We tried it once but it didn't taste as good as I had been told it would, so we didn't serve it any more."

My friend asked pleasantly, whether we ever had trouble with our coffee or tea and was told that now and then the coffee was "sloppy" or burned and occasionally the tea was unfit to drink, but then you know, I said we know coffee and tea can be made good, so it is some failure with the cook if they come to the table unfit." "Ah, there's the point" my friend exclaimed. "Now we have been using Postum steadily for about a year and we know its magnificent qualities as a nourishing beverage, but mind you, I have seen it served at my table once or twice almost unfit to drink, and we got one package last summer that was overcooked at the factory and was not good but which the grocer replaced; these incidents do not change the fact that Postum is a delicious, healthy and nourishing beverage, as proven day after day in our family.

"You should not hastily condemn a new thing upon one imperfect trial as you deprive yourself of benefits which a fair test would make yours." "These comments made an impression and acting on her advice I hunted up the package of Postum, brewed some myself for breakfast the next morning, and it really was as delicious to my taste as a high grade coffee. I noticed that morning, that the heavy, disagreeable, feeling (usual after breakfast with coffee) was absent. This set me thinking and wondering if it was true, after all, that coffee did slightly poison my liver and stomach and make me feel so. I ~~concluded~~ to quit coffee and tea awhile, anyhow, and try Postum, and am glad to say that for that, or some other reason, I never felt better in my life than I have since the change."

"Just as good" as Postum Cereal are words used to defraud the public.

THE BICYCLE CLUB RACE.

Those Who Will Go on the Track in the Three Events.

The Wheelmen's club race meet will be held tomorrow evening at the Trotting park, beginning at 6:30 o'clock. The entries for the three events closed last evening. They are as follows:

Club Championship—L. E. Rogers, Frank Pahmeyer, Arthur Fullmer, R. H. Conklin, Willie Murray, Frank Ford, Emery Birks, John Hoyland, Earle Walmsley.

Five Mile Handicap—L. L. Rogers, Arthur Fullmer, R. H. Conklin, Willie Murray, Guy Conklin, Frank Ford, Emery Birks, John Hoyland, Erle Walmsley, Frank Pahmeyer.

2-10 Class Mile—Arthur Fullmer, R. H. Conklin, Willie Murray, Guy Conklin, Frank Ford, John Hoyland, Earle Walmsley, Frank Pahmeyer.

GREEN GROWTH IN WALKS.

A Citizen Furnishes a Recipe for Destroying It.

Champaign Gazette: A few days ago a Champaign citizen was out sprinkling salt on the sidewalk in front of his house to kill the grass and weeds that were growing up between the bricks. While he was at work a neighbor came along and said: "I don't think salt will do it. Why, I heard of people sowing salt on the fields as a fertilizer; but I can tell you what will do the business. Take 10 gallons of water, 20 pounds of stone lime and 3 pounds of flour sulphur, and boil them together in an iron kettle. Let it stand to cool and settle, then pour off the clear liquid and sprinkle it freely on your walks and the grass and weeds will die quickly. Don't sprinkle it on the borders, or it will kill wherever it falls."

NEARLY A RIOT.

But the Mutes Did Not Make a Noise—They Just Quit Playing

The best and most exciting game of base ball ever played in Central Illinois occurred at Mount Pulaski yesterday afternoon, when Lincoln University "defeated" the Kenney mutes. The score was tied in the last half of the ninth inning—4 to 4—with two men on bases and one batter out, when Kenney protested against the umpire's rulings. The field was invaded by an angry crowd. Kenney refused to play and the decision was in favor of Lincoln—9 to 0.

Miners Will Not Strike.

Taylorville Breeze, July 13. The coal miners of the city held a meeting at the court house last night to decide whether or not to join in the national suspension. The full proceedings of the meeting could not be learned from those in attendance, as they were cautioned against giving them publicity, but it is authoritively told that the miners will continue to work.

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 14, 1897.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, July 14.—Illinois: Slightly warmer and partly cloudy tonight and Thursday; variable winds, mostly southerly.

The machine seems to be interested in the convention of Republican clubs now in session at Detroit, Mich.

Japan might as well save its wind and reputation by observing a well studied silence on the Hawaiian matter.

The greater the degree of concessions secured by the house in the conference on the tariff bill the better it will be for the country.

Collective notes have no power over the sultan. In this case the chances are the sword will prove mightier than the typewriter.

Gen. John B. Gordon has accepted an invitation for the ex-Confederate Veterans to participate in the unveiling of the Logan monument in Chicago, July 22.

The fighting gold Democrats of the country have served notice on the rule or ruin element in the Democratic party led by Bryan that the preponderance of evidence shall be with the Republicans in a trial before the people.

The new tariff bill is intended to recover to American workingmen the jobs voted away in 1892 under the foolish delusion that a protective tariff was simply a tax paid by the consumer and did not help anybody but the manufacturing "barons."

The free silver lunacy is used to catch voters by representing that the more money we have the more work there will be to do. Unless free coinage of silver would operate to induce men who have the ability to employ labor to enter into business which would create a demand for labor then free silver coinage, like free trade, would prove a failure. The facts are that those who have ability to employ labor are opposed to free trade and free silver and they know more about the practical workings of free trade and free silver than a regiment of Debses or Bryans.

A bounty of one quarter of one cent per pound on beet sugar raised in this country would be sufficient to do in the United States what government aid has done for the beet sugar industry in Europe. Yet this rate of bounty on beet sugar, submitted by Republican senators after the debate on the tariff bill had been concluded, was met by an announcement from the Democratic leaders, through Senator Jones, chairman of the Democratic national committee, that the proposition would meet with an interminable discussion, with action on the tariff bill indefinitely delayed, rather than to permit its adoption. People who remember that we are now sending abroad a hundred million dollars every year for our sugar will be interested to know what party it was that attempted to thus put a veto upon a proposition to establish beet sugar production in the United States.

"It is in such times as these that demagogues thrive; it is in just such times that they should be shunned. They can lead men astray, but they cannot correct a single real or imaginary grievance under which men suffer. There is too much demagoguism abroad in the land; there is too much false doctrine taught pertaining to governmental functions; there is too much encouragement of the spirit of socialism and all that it implies, including communistic and chimerical schemes for a 'social democracy,' so called; there is too much toleration of disrespect for courts and constituted authorities; there is too much clamor for class legislation; there is too much inculcation of the idea that men can become rich without effort—by the mere fiat of the government instead of earning wealth in the good old fashioned way; and there is too much attention paid to cranks, blatherskites, and political adventurers, entitled to no consideration, but who seem to have obtained the public ear, and are seeking to pull down the pillars of society."—David Bennett Hill.

"All indications point to a strong growth in public sentiment along the lines laid down in the Chicago platform; the failure of the Republican party to restore prosperity having given a new impetus to the movement which has for its object the restoration of gold and silver coinage of the constitution."—From William J. Bryan's letter to Tammany Society, June 28, 1897.

If there were needed any evidence of the insincerity and demagogery of this late presidential candidate, this sentence is sufficient to prove it. This letter was written less than four months after the inauguration of Mr. Bryan's successful rival and before the Republican party had been able to place a single line of legislation upon the statute books, the delay in that legislation being due to the control of the senate by Mr. Bryan's followers. Yet he, knowing that fact, in a document deliberately prepared for political effect, talks glibly of the "failure" of something which does not yet exist and whose lack of existence is due to the obstacles which his own followers have thrown in its way. Certainly the country is to be congratulated upon escaping the danger of having at its head a man capable of descending to such political pettifogging as this.

That foreign nations should be willing to do whatever is practicable to reduce the duty likely to be placed on their goods coming into the United States is not surprising, but nobody supposes that their alleged protests will be of any importance. By way of showing of how little value their statements are, an investigation has been made in Washington of the assertions made by Editor Klett, one of the South American guests, in his Cincinnati speech recently, in which he complained that the United States was about placing for the first time a duty on Argentine wool, and asserted that the balance of trade between the two countries was in favor of the United States; also that the tariff laws of his own country placed our machinery, petroleum and other articles on the free list. An investigation of the facts shows that the statements are all grossly inaccurate. Argentine wools have been compelled to pay tariff under Republican legislation in the past, the balance of trade is just the reverse of the statement made by Mr. Klett, and the Argentine tariff levies duties of from 5 to 40 per cent on American machinery, with the exception of that for farm use, while the duties on kerosene amount to nearly 5 cents per gallon. If this is a sample of the statements upon which foreign countries are basing their protests against our proposed tariff legislation, it is not surprising that our own statesmen pay no attention to them.

Out of Danger.

Calvin Mink, son-in-law of J. S. Childs, has returned from the Pasteur Institute at Chicago, and will resume work on his farm in Illini township. Some weeks ago he was bitten by a horse that had been bitten by a dog that had hydrophobia. The horse was killed. Mr. Mink feared that he might be innoculated with the disease and after treatment in Decatur by Drs. Will Barnes and E. J. Brown, he went to Chicago, where he was treated successfully. He is now out of all danger and is greatly relieved. Mr. Mink states that while at the institute he observed abundant evidence to convince him of the absolute reliability of the treatment. Two brothers living in Chicago had been bitten by a dog with the rabbies and both of them entered the institute a short time before Mink. One of these brothers consented to take the anti-toxine treatment and the other refused to have his system innoculated. The other patients at the institute had the experience of seeing one of the brothers completely cured and the other died in the most horrible agony.

Went to Toronto.

Among those who went from this city to Toronto, Canada, this morning to attend the convention of the Epworth League were Rev. A. M. Danely, Miss Alta Dawson and Miss Grace Barnnell, of Decatur; Miss Julia Brown, Miss Jessie Edmunston, Miss Vane Millinzen, and Rev. Clarence Reed, of Sullivan. They left this morning on the Illinois Central. Rev. Preston Wood will have charge of a party from Pana and Moweaqua.

Getting More Room.

Excavations began today at the W. F. Busher building on East Main street, occupied by Folrath & Hardy, shoe dealers. The basement is to be made deeper. It will be floored and fitted up for the storage of the reserve stock of the firm. They have been in need of more space for some time.

Fishing at Mackinaw.

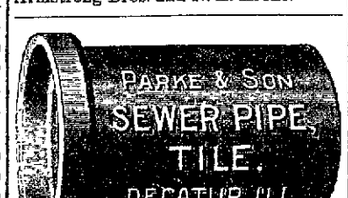
Frank Taylor arrived in the city this morning from Mackinaw, where his family, with H. K. Midkiff and family, are camping. He will return tomorrow morning. Mr. Taylor says that the fishing at Mackinaw is good.

Attention, Old Soldiers.

The manufacturers have instructed us to give a bottle of 25c size of Foley's Colic Cure free to the first soldier of the civil war that applies for the same. It is the great remedy for Chronic Diarrhœa, Cramp Colic and all Bowel complaints H. W Bell, N. L. Krone.

Under the new law the dates for holding the Livingston county circuit court have been changed to the third Tuesday in January, and the second Tuesday in April and September of each year.

"They are dandies," said Thos. Bowers, of the Crockett, Texas, Enterprise, while writing about DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for sick headache and disorders of the stomach and liver. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.



CEMENT, LIME, COAL.

PERSONAL MENTION.

—James Laux is home from a trip to the east.

—Miss Sallie Jack, of Peoria, is visiting friends in the city.

—Dr. M. P. Parish and wife are visiting friends at Danville.

—Orlando Powers, who has been ill for some weeks, is better.

—Mrs. Will Barnes has gone to Danville, N. Y., to visit friends.

—Fred Ferguson is now in the employ of the Linn & Scruggs company.

—Rev. T. D. Weems, of Mahomet, is in the city today on business.

—The Misses Vanleer, of Bloomington, are in the city visiting friends.

—Louis Eddy, of Bloomington, was in the city yesterday to visit Troy Alexander.

—Ex-Governor Oglesby was in the city yesterday on his way to Kansas City, Mo. He left last night for the west.

—Clinton Public: Miss Jessie McNally and sister, of Decatur, are guests of their brother, Trainmaster McNally of the Central.

—Mrs. Lute Osborne and children of Evansville, Ind., are in the city visiting her sister, Miss Saida Kenney, and other relatives.

—Samuel McBride, who has been in the southern part of the state on a business trip arrived home last night.

—Miss Cordelia Williams is home from Sullivan, where she has been visiting friends.

—Mrs. Joseph Mills and Miss Pearl Schuloff will leave this week for the east to spend the summer.

—Mrs. A. C. Stifel, who has been in the city visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Boblett, returned yesterday to her home in Cincinnati.

—Rev. A. M. Danely left to-day for Toronto, Canada, where he will attend the convention of the Epworth League.

—Mrs. Laura Beaumont arrived in this city last evening from Moweaqua. She will make her home with J. Price and family at 205 South Main.

—T. J. Van Gundy and wife, of Monticello, were in the city today visiting Rev. and Mrs. W. F. Gillmore. Mrs. Van Gundy is a sister of Mrs. Gillmore.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ham, late of Kansas City, Kan., have been in the city for several weeks, and may remain here. Mr. Ham has been ill since his arrival in Decatur.

—Mrs. J. F. Given and children arrived in the city last night from Columbus, O. The family will continue to occupy apartments at the Hotel Brunswick.

—Supt. Garrett of the Wabash left this morning on a private car for New York. He was accompanied by his family and will travel in the east.

—Miss Emma Hebel, who has been in the city visiting the family of Rev. George F. Hall, has returned to her home in Shelbyville.

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Gifford is to have a new school, to cost $2598. The plans were drawn by Miss Meldora Ice, of Gifford, who graduated from the architectural department of the University of Illinois in June.

IMPORTANT SENATE RESOLUTION

Demand Release of Competitor Prisoners and Restoration of Vessel to Its Owner.

Washington, July 14.—Senator Davis, chairman of the senate foreign relations committee, reported the following joint resolution: That the president be empowered to take such measures as in his judgment are necessary to obtain the release from the Spanish government of Ona Melton, Alfred O. Laborde and William Gildea and the restoration of the schooner Competitor to its owner. It recites all the facts brought out in the Competitor case proceedings thus far had by the Spanish authorities, the trial, sentence, etc., and characterizes it as a "mockery of a trial." Affidavits of parties are cited to show they have coerced into Spanish waters, in which case they were not amenable to Spanish jurisdiction.

The Park Theatre.

Mark E. Swan's company gave the last performance of "A Complicated Case" at Riverside last night. Tonight a very attractive bill, "A Mutual Misunderstanding" and "My Neighbor's Wife" will be presented, interspersed with some bright specialties. This is positively the last week of the company, the engagement closing next Tuesday or Wednesday. East Lynne is underlined.

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Our Neighbors

Macon.

Neum Hill, of Decatur, was on our streets Friday.

George Pollard and wife and son, Steve, of Lovington, spent Sunday with S. G. Washburn and family.

Miss Nellie McGee of Blue Mound, was the guest of Miss Carrie Alexander a few days last week.

Al McGee and wife, of Decatur, were the guests of M. D. Alexander and family last week.

George Carr, of St. Louis, is the guest of his uncle, N. A. Carr.

Mrs Smith, of St. Louis, is the guest of her brother, E T. Willoughby.

Charles Failing and family, of Milmine were the guests of friends here last Sunday.

Miss Mabel Carberry, of Mansfield, is the guest of Misses Vanda and Edith Willard this week.

Misses Bessie and Lena Dillman, of Mansfield, are the guests of J. W. Walker and family, of Walker station.

Miss Hannah Wade, of Warrensburg, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. George Walker, of Walker station.

Miss Annie McGee, of Blue Mound, is the guest of Miss Hetti Alexander this week.

Charles Failing, of Milmine, was in this city Tuesday.

Miss Cleo Barker is visiting relatives and friends in Forsyth this week.

James Baker and wife, of Clinton, spent a few days last week with her parents, Anderson Peters and wife.

Miss Bernice Higgins, who has been visiting Mrs Carl Banta, of Whiteland Ind., for a few weeks, returned home Monday.

Mrs. F. Baird spent Tuesday in Assumption.

Mrs. Joseph Price died at the home of her parents, E. B. Combs and wife, 4½ miles east of this city Sunday morning at 4 o'clock. The funeral was preached at the home of her father Monday afternoon, Rev. Mr. Willard officiating The remains were laid to rest in the Macon cemetery.

Miss Edith Zollars and Horace Zollars, of Fort Wayne, Ind., are the guests of relatives in this city this week. They will leave Saturday in company with Miss Mattie Bottomfield for a visit with relatives in Patoska and Harbor Springs, Michigan.

Oreana.

George Morrison and O. B. Harrauff were Decatur visitors Monday.

Miss Lena Querry is visiting in Decatur with her sister, Miss Edith Querry.

Rev Hicks will preach at Belle Prairie school house next Saturday evening.

H. B. Kuhns and family of Argenta visited relatives near here Sunday.

H C Bower attended a Sunday school convention held at Fairview church Sunday afternoon.

Some of our young folks attended services at Epworth chapel Sunday night.

The social given by the Christian Endeavor Friday evening was not very well attended on account of bad weather.

Jay Morrison returned home Friday after a visit with relatives at Gibson City and Roberts.

C A. Lindsley, of Argenta, was in town Monday.

Will Bradleston and wife and son, Cleve, are visiting near Voorhies this week.

Misses Maud Benton and Etta Bipler visited A. L. Stewart and family Sunday.

N Maxim and wife, of Decatur, spent Monday evening with R. Hockaday and family.

Something to Know.

It may be worth something to know that the very best medicine for restoring the tired out nervous system to a healthy vigor is Electric Bitters. This medicine is purely vegetable, acts by giving tone to the nerve centres in the stomach, gently stimulates the liver and kidneys, and aids these organs in throwing off impurities in the blood. Electric Bitters improves the appetite, aids digestion, and is pronounced by those who have tried it as the very best blood purifier and nerve tonic. Try it. Sold for 50c or $1.00 per bottle at the drug stores of J. E. King and C. F. Shilling.

A fountain to cost $100 is to be established in the public square at Mt. Pulaski.

There Is No ? About It.

No question, indeed, with those who have used it, but that Foley's Kidney Cure is absolutely reliable for all Kidney and Bladder diseases. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

M. S. Evans, of Arrowsmith, this state, has purchased the Martin bakery in Mt. Pulaski.

Don't neglect a cough because the weather is pleasant; before the next storm rolls around it may develop into a serious difficulty beyond repair. One Minute Cough Cure is easy to take and will do what its name implies. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Wednesday of last week the water works at Gibson City pumped 119,000 gallons of water.

When You Take Your Vacation

the most necessary article to have with you (after your pocket-book) is a bottle of Foley's Colic Cure. It is an absolute prevention or cure of all derangements of the bowels caused by a change of water. You are likely to need it. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Flanagan is organizing a brass band.

HAS TAMED THE WHEEL.

Bob Burdette and His Rather Annoying Bicycle.

He Says He Can Ride, But Not That He Does—Thinks Wheeling Is a Splendid Good Thing for the Doctors.

A report got into circulation to the effect that Bob Burdette was dead. The Burlington Hawkeye, with which the humorist was formerly associated, denied the rumor, and Bob confirms the denial in the following letter to the editor from Bryn Mawr, Pa.:

"My Dear Waite: Like the true friend and loyal comrade you ever were, you do right to protest against my burial prior to the autopsy.

"I am, indeed, very much alive. Not only so, I haven't been dead even a little bit. Not once. Could have been, had I wanted to be. Could be yet. But I don't want. Maybe I ought to be, even now. But, as we make weekly confession —'we have left undone those things which we ought to have done.'

"Possibly the rumor that I have gone dead grew out of the fact that I have earned to ride a bicycle. I say, 'have learned.' Not 'am learning.' Learned in one lesson. All by myself.

"Went out in the moonlight last Friday night to learn, having first locked my family in the house and forbade them to look out of the windows. Led my bicycle out on the turnpike—the Bryn Mawr pikes are broader than the way to destruction, twice as smooth and much cleaner. It's a young bicycle—a colt, foaled in '97. Would give the name but for the fact that I had to pay for the wheel. Will only say therefore, in accordance with the ethics of our profession, that it is, not the wheel anybody says it is.

"I held him by the withers right in the middle of the road, and mounted without assistance

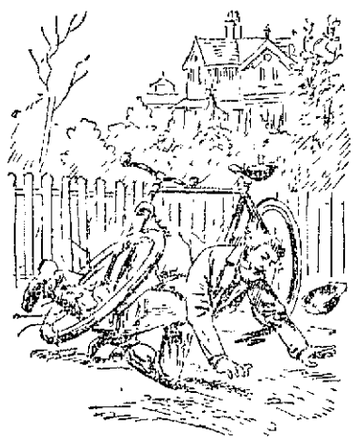
"I dismounted in the same independent manner.

"Got on again and proceeded to break him to saddle.

"Did I ride the first time?

"Well, say!

"People had told me—liars of all ages and both sexes—that I couldn't



I LOST MY CONFIDENCE.

fall if, when I felt that I was falling, I would stick out my foot.

"I stuck out both feet and both hands and fell on my head.

"I fell on one side of that diabolical wheel and then on the other; I fell on both sides at once; I fell on top of it and underneath it, and made 'dog falls' with it. I fell between the wheels I fell behind the hind wheel and before the front one at the same time, and I don't know yet how I did it. I fell and thrust both legs through the spokes of one wheel I met a terrified man in a buggy and drove him clear off the pike through Wheeler's hedge, and I don't think he has come back yet. Every time I fell I slapped the palms of my raw, swollen, throbbing hands on the hard, 'inelastic' pike, except the time I fell on my head. I fell harder and with greater variety of landing than any man could fall unless he dropped out of a balloon and lit on a load of furniture.' I lost my confidence, my patience, my temper, my clamps, my lamp, bell and reputation. I broke one pedal, the saddle and the ordinance against loud, boisterous and abusive language at night. I ran into everything in sight, except the middle of the road. I sat down on everything in the township except the saddle. I scorched in a circuit not 15 feet in circumference until you could smell brimstone. I made more revolutions than a South American republic, and I didn't get ten feet away from where I started. I haven't been so mauled and abraded so thumped and beaten, so trampled upon and so pounded, so bruised and scratched since I left the army. But I can ride.

"I don't say that I 'do.' But I 'can.'

"Do I consider 'biking' good for the health?

"For the health of some people, I do I don't see how a physician can bring up his family unless his children have something to eat.

"But in my own case, I reserve my decision. I will wait until I know whether I am going to die or get well And so you tell Brother Davis to keep his obituary on the standing galley until he hears from 'Slug Nine.' I don't believe I've got '30' yet, although friends who have called to see me break down when they say 'good-by' and walk out of the room on tip-toe. But I wouldn't mind that if I knew what became of my shoulder blades the time I ran under the hay wagon. Cheerfully yours.

"ROBERT J. BURDETTE."

Discovery of Sulphur Mines.

It is said that the sulphur mines near Buckley, Wash., was discovered by a camper, whose fire on a rock gave rise to such fumes that he was forced to move a long distance to escape suffocation.

Dog Climbs Trees.

East Harpswell, Me., boasts of a dog that can climb trees.

POWERS' SHOE STORE.

Ladies', Misses' and Children's Tennis Shoes, made by the Goodyear Glove Co.—75c, $1.00 and $1.25 grade all go at 25c
Ladies' Tan Strap Slippers, $1.75 grade, at 98c
Ladies' Kid Lace and Button Boots, $1.50 grade, at .. 75c
Ladies' Laird, Schober & Co.'s High Shoes, $5.00 and $6.00 grades go at $3.75
Ladies' Green High Shoes 1.99
Ladies' Green Low Shoes 1.48

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An Exception.

Senator Vest has a favorite story which he has told on the occasion of many a political speech, but, so far as known, never on the floor of the United States senate.

"A temperance lecturer was struggling against odds in Kentucky," says the senator. "He was talking to a not very large audience, that had been drawn to the hall by curiosity. 'The effect of alcohol is to shorten life,' said the lecturer.

"An old man at the rear of the hall rose at that juncture and said: 'You're a liar!'

"'Why?' inquired the advocate of Adam's ale.

"'Because, sir, I've been drinking for 75 years, and I am 90, and likely to live to be a hundred. I am strong enough to lick you now if you'll step outside.'

"'Oh, no doubt, sir. You're an exception, sir. If you'll keep on drinking—' the lecturer further paused.

"'What?' asked the impatient old toper.

"'If you keep on drinking you'll have to be shot on judgment day.'"—St. Louis Republic.

W. B. Johnson, Newark, O., says: "One Minute Cough Cure saved my only child from dying by croup." It has saved thousands of others suffering from croup, pneumonia, bronchitis and other serious throat and lung troubles. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Constable A. Site, of Homer, recently invented a peculiar boot and had it patented. Now a company is being formed in that town for the manufacture of the article.

Not only piles of the very worst kind can be cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, but eczema, scalds, burns, bruises, boils, ulcers and all other skin troubles can be instantly relieved by the same remedy. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Dr. J. S. Whitmire, one of the oldest and best known physicians in Woodford county, is lying at the point of death at his home in Metamora.

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The probabilities are that the Carson fight vitascope pictures will be shown in Decatur.

SPECIAL TAX NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested, that the City Council of the City of Decatur, having ordered that a sewer be constructed in the alley between North Morgan and North Broadway streets, from Division street north to Lincoln avenue, in the City of Decatur, Macon county, Illinois, the ordinance for the same being on file in the office of the City Clerk of said city, have applied to the county court of Macon county, Illinois, for an assessment of the cost of said improvements according to benefits, upon the abutting property according to frontage, and an assessment or special tax roll thereof having been made and returned to said court, the final hearing thereon will be had at the August term of said court, commencing on the 2d day of August, A. D. 1897 All persons desiring may then and there apear and make their defense.

Decatur, Illinois, July 14, 1897.

S. S. HOPKINS,
S. W. HAMSHER,
A. B. MCKEE,
Commissioners.

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Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS } ss In the Circuit Court.
MACON COUNTY }

Henry Semmer, complainant, vs. Fred Bitter, defendant—In Chancery, No. 16,177.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause, at the June term of said court, A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Friday, August 6, A. D., 1897.

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Part of southwest quarter of section 31, township 16 north, range 1 east of 3d principal meridian, commencing 27 chains 76 links west of the southeast corner of the northwest quarter of said section 31, thence north 36 chains 58 links, thence west one chain and 86 links, thence south 36 chains 58 links, thence east to place of beginning, containing 4.93 acres; also, 14.85 acres, commencing 23 chains 73 links west of the southeast corner of the northwest quarter section 31, township 16 north, range one east of 3d principal meridian, thence north 36 chains 58 links, thence west 4 chains 0 links, thence south 36 chains 58 links, thence east to place of beginning. Situated in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 14th day of July, A. D. 1897.

JAMES J FINN, Master in Chancery.
Mills Bros., Complainant's Solicitors.
July 14 dtd.

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss. In the Circuit Court.
MACON COUNTY, }

J. R. Gorin, Complainant, vs. Edwin A. Ewing et. al., Defendants—In Chancery, No. 15,967.

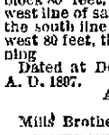
Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon County, State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the June term of said court, A. D. 1897, I, Alexander McIntosh, special master in chancery of said court, will on

Thursday, August 5th, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at the southwest corner of block 12, Western addition to the town (now city) of Decatur, thence east along the south line of said block 80 feet, thence north parallel with the west line of said block 150 feet more or less to the south line of the alley in said block, thence west 80 feet, thence south to the place of beginning

Dated at Decatur, Ill., this 14th day of July, A. D. 1897.

ALEXANDER McINTOSH,
Special Master in Chancery.
Mills Brothers, Complainant's Solicitors.



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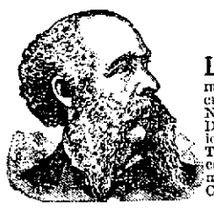

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CHILDREN'S VIEW OF WORK.

They Delight in Occupations and Amusements of Grown People.

No scheme of education has yet been devised that can develop mind and character without effort upon the part of the pupil, and part of the compensation of labor is the knowing that we have performed it. Why should we deny the child this natural gratification and substitute for it the doubtful bliss of an everlasting play spell? We must not suppose that the child who is set to some little task and told that he is playing is really deceived. The infant mind is acute and divines much that we suppose securely hidden from it. All that we effect by our dramatization of work is to make labor distasteful; by strenuously insisting that it is easy to do a thing we set too high a premium upon ease and make a slight hardship seem an unendurable burden. Now, I maintain that work is not a bugbear to the unspoiled child's mind, and it is not unnecessary, but injudicious, to cover up the difficulty that may lie in an achievement, since it is the realization of the difficulty that braces his spirit and stimulates his laudable ambition. That is the prime want of all youth. To grow, to advance, to do and be what older people do and are. The delight of infancy is to have furnished to it the occupations and amusements of grown people, in kind if not in degree, and this emulation is wholesome if its models are fair specimens of human nature.

The child world is not very different from the adult world, and left to himself the little one builds his plans upon the pattern his parents set before him in their own daily avocations. He perceives that they labor to certain ends, they accomplish something. He, too, yearns to accomplish something, and his energies, expanding with use, stretch out to larger and larger things, until the happy consummation is reached that he can do what father does; in the case of a little girl, what mother does. I have questioned little ones and—a better way—observed them, and have found that their delight is not in any work purely infantile in its nature, but in large work cut down to suit their size. That is, they want real work, not make-believe work. They desire to feel that they have a part in the world and are necessary to it, and it is through this innate desire to participate in the functions of parents that a child can be guided to a career of usefulness that develops his talents and conduces to his self-respect. Herein is where wise home training is so valuable, so indispensable. —Woman's Home Companion.

FOR THE HOUSEHOLD.

Odd Items of Information on Home Matters.

An old housekeeper says that there may be many new liquids for freshening and brightening carpets, but she has yet to find anything that will do better work than ox gall. Use one gill to a gallon of cold soft water, stirring the ox gall into the water with a stick. With a soft brush rub the carpet, making a white lather. Two persons should do this work, one following the other and washing the lather off with clear water. The water should be changed often, and then the carpet should be rubbed with clean cloths until dry.

Among the crosses many housewives have to annoy them is a bathtub of uninviting appearance in a room that otherwise looks fresh and clean after the spring renovating. The tarnished surface may refuse to become bright, no matter what cleaning materials are employed. By being your own workman you may, at a trifling expense, make the tub quite desirable. Procure a small can of common paint of any light color desired, a can of enamel paint of the same color, and a good-sized brush. Cut eight or ten-inch pieces of yellow soap into bits, and put it over the fire to dissolve in a couple of quarts of water. Fill the bathtub with very hot water, and throw in a generous handful of powdered borax and the dissolved soap. When the water becomes cool enough to put the hands in it, scrub the surface with a brush, letting the water run off as the work is done. Again partly fill the tub with hot water and scrub it with the brush and sand soap to make sure that all greasy particles have been removed. Then rinse it in clear hot water and thoroughly dry. Cover it with two coatings of the common paint, letting one thoroughly dry before putting on the second coat. Then give it several coats of the enamel paint. This paint will dry more quickly than the other, and the bath will no longer be an unsightly object. Care must be used not to run very hot water into the bath alone until the paint has hardened.

Have you ever used dry lima beans for that well-known and desirable dish, pork and beans? They are excellent. These beans are also very nice baked and served in place of potatoes. They should be allowed to bake very slowly and a tablespoonful of butter should be substituted in this dish of beans for the, to many undesirable, pork.—N. Y. Sun.

Politeness at Home.

In family life do not let familiarity swallow up all courtesy. Many of us have a habit of saying to those with whom we live such things as we say about strangers behind their backs. There is no place, however, where real politeness is of more value than where we mostly think it would be superfluous. You may say more truth, or rather speak more plainly to your associates, but you ought not to do it less courteously than you would speak to strangers.—Detroit Free Press.

Meat Balls.

Take any bits of cold meat, add one onion, chop fine. Mix with one egg, a few breadcrumbs, and a spoonful of flour. Season with pepper and salt, moisten with a little water or gravy, mix thoroughly, make into small balls, roll in flour and fry quite brown. These are nice seasoned with poultry dressing. If this is used the pepper may be left out.—Ladies' World.

—The Moral of It.—The Professor—"You will remember the fable of the attempts of the sun and the wind to make the man remove his cloak, and how he only drew it tighter under the wind's assaults, but cast it off under the genial rays of the sun. Now, what moral do we draw from this?" J. Fresh—"It is necessary to roast some people before they will loosen up."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

DEADLY VENOM OF THE COBRA.

Little Known by Scientists as to Its Character—Calmette's Experiments.

It was in the autumn of 1891 that Calmette, while acting as director of the Bacteriological institute of Saigon, Cochin China, first commenced his experiments on the neutralization of serpent venom in the animal system. He had exceptional opportunities in the matter of serpent venoms wherewith to carry out his investigations, inasmuch as a band of cobras had recently attacked a village in the vicinity of Bac-Lieu, and by order of the governor of the district 90 specimens of the terrible Naja tripudians, or cobra de capello, were forwarded to the institute. Forty of these reptiles arrived alive, and several were at once sacrificed to secure their venom glands. Each gland, resembling both in size and shape a shelled almond, contained about 30 drops of venom, and in this transparent limpid liquid is embodied a toxin of extraordinary strength.

As is well known, this cobra is the most dreaded of all serpents, and it is widely distributed over India, Burmah, Sumatra, Java, Malacca and Cochin China; until Calmette, however, set to work to systematically study the nature of the reptile's venom but little precise or reliable information had been obtained as to its character. It was, of course, necessary in the first instance to ascertain, within as narrow a limit as possible, the exact degree of toxic power inherent in the venom, and to determine, if possible, the precise dose lethal in respect to each variety of animal experimented upon.

A correct calculation of the quantity of venom required in every case, was, however, found to be impossible, for so virulent is the poison that a single drop of an emulsion produced by pounding up eight glands in 300 grammes of distilled water is sufficient, when introduced into the vein of a rabbit's ear, to kill it in five minutes. All the mammals to which Calmette administered this cobra venom, such as monkeys, guinea pigs, rats, succumbed more or less quickly, according to the size of the dose.—Longman's Magazine.

The Grandest Remedy.

Mr. R. B. Greeve, merchant, of Gilhowie, Va., certifies that he had consumption, was given up to die, sought all medical treatment that money could procure, tried all cough remedies he could hear of, but got no relief; spent many nights sitting up in a chair; was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery, and was cured by use of two bottles. For past three years has been attending to business, and says Dr. King's New Discovery is the grandest remedy ever made, as it has done so much for him and also for others in his community. Dr. King's New Discovery is guaranteed for Coughs, Colds and Consumption. It don't fail. Trial bottles free at the drug stores of J. E. King and C. F. Shilling.

Gifford is to have a new school, to cost $2598. The plans were drawn by Miss Moldora Ice, of Gifford, who graduated from the architectural department of the University of Illinois in June.

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The manufacturers have instructed us to give a bottle of 25c size of Foley's Colic Cure free to the first soldier of the civil war that applies for the same. It is the great remedy for Chronic Diarrhœa, Cramp Colic and all Bowel complaints. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Under the new law the dates for holding the Livingston county circuit court have been changed to the third Tuesday in January, and the second Tuesday in April and September of each year.

"They are dandies," said Thos. Bowers, of the Crockett, Texas, Enterprise, while writing about DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for sick headache and disorders of the stomach and liver. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

M. S. Evans, of Arrowsmith, this state, has purchased the Martin bakery in Mt. Pulaski.

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Some for ten, some for twenty and some for thirty years have suffered from piles and then have been quickly and permanently cured by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the great remedy for piles and all forms of skin diseases. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

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ERUPTION IN A GLACIER.

Iceland Is the Scene of a Singular Phenomenon.

Iceland for a number of months last summer was shaken by severe earthquakes. Two months ago the subterranean fire that had caused these upheavals found an outlet and in a region in which probably fire never broke out on the whole globe except in Iceland. This eruption took place in one of the gigantic glaciers which cover a great portion of the southeast of Iceland. This strange phenomenon was witnessed by a postman who was crossing the sands with ponies and mails a few miles from the glacier. The subterranean fire welled up from the interior of the glacier and forced its way through the enormous mass of ice.

The postman suddenly heard a long-drawn, groaning sound, and, looking up, saw immense blocks of ice being hurled high into the air, followed immediately by torrents of water, bearing a number of huge ice blocks to the plain below. The whole tract between the glacier and the sea was soon dotted with enormous ice floes, rendering the plain quite impassable. The postman was delayed at a neighboring station for ten days, during which time the eruption lasted.

The sheriff of the district, who supplies the details of the eruption and who visited the scene shortly afterward, states that he never saw a more weird spectacle. The sands were covered with ice floes, forming an ice belt some 25 miles long by four miles broad, stretching from mountain to sea. One could walk on the sand between the icebergs, and upon entering the ice belt it seemed like wandering in tortuous streets bordered by lofty houses that met at the top and shut out light. The walls were white as snow, with dark streaks of sand. They were in all manner of fantastic shapes, and it was naturally intensely cold among those gigantic ice blocks. It might be supposed that, in view of the low temperature of Iceland, these icebergs would remain permanently on the plain. This is, however, not the case. The ice blocks gradually sink into the soft sand and melt away. Every trace of them disappears, but under the smooth surface they form treacherous holes and the unfortunate traveler who steps in one of these is engulfed in the black-moving quicksand.

A party of picked men made an attempt to cross this new wilderness. They rode along its western edge, but nowhere could they penetrate it, except near the foot of the glacier, where the floes were so far apart that it seemed possible to thread one's way among them. They alighted from their ponies and tried to find a route across, keeping as well toward the glacier as they could. They succeeded in crossing, not without grave risk, but on the other side they found six newly-formed torrents pouring from the glacier. These they could not cross and therefore climbed on to the edge of the glacier in order to get around them. Some idea may be formed of the dangerous nature of this feat when it is stated that the glacier was literally seamed with clefts and fissures, with slippery ridges between them, and that a fall into any one of these would inevitably have been fatal.

It is supposed by geologists that all the 5,000 square miles of Icelandic glaciers rest on a volcanic substratum that is dotted with craters, some of which are in a state of periodical activity, while others are quiescent. This is borne out by the violent glacial disturbances, caused by fire, which occur from time to time.—London Chronicle.

THE JOY OF CANOEING.

Of All Water Craft It Is the Best Adapted to Summer Holiday Delights.

This graceful and feline structure, the consummate expression of the race which produced it, is, of all watercraft, the best adapted to the delights of a summer holiday. A boat can in no way compare with it, except for family parties, some of whose members are apt to wear a forced smile from the moment of embarking until they find themselves on dry ground. A boat is clumsy at the best of times. It is mechanical and formal. It demands also a certain depth of water, that the keel may not scrape and the oar blade splash helplessly. It cannot explore those furtive, secluded streams where the flowers may be plucked from both banks at the same time, where the tall ferns lean over in cool, green arches and the world of other people is quite shut out. In fact, just where a great many people, under propitious circumstances, would most want to go the boat cannot take them. But just here is the canoe most at home. In the canoe, not only the passenger, but the paddler is permitted to lounge. The passenger sits luxuriantly as on a coach. The paddler may kneel or sit up as stiffly as in a boat if he wishes; but, on the other hand, he may sit low on a cushion, with another cushion at his back, and dip his blade in the laziest manner imaginable, yet make very creditable progress all the time. He can lie back at his post and loaf or dream as deliciously as if in a hammock swung beneath apple trees. Such advantages as this what summer punt can offer? In the canoe the paddler is at the stern, facing the way he would go. The passenger looks at him instead of at the changing landscape. There is nothing to divert her attention from the skillful fashion in which he wields his paddle. Her business is solely to talk to him or listen to him, and let him take her whither he will. It is exactly the arrangement which all men and most women probably prefer. It even partakes of the quality of an ordinance of nature.—Illustrated American.

Sufficient Ground.

"What's Jenkins' wife suing for a divorce for?"

"She claims he chugged her face into the mud after a quarrel."

"Does she consider that sufficient ground for instituting proceedings?"—Detroit News.

THE NUMBER THREE.

Some Curious Superstitions Regarding It in the Popular Mind.

There is a superstitious regard for the number three in the popular mind, and the third repetition of anything is generally looked upon as a crisis. Thus an article may twice be lost and recovered, but the third time that it is lost it is gone for good. Twice a man may pass through some great danger in safety, but the third time he loses his life. If, however, the mystic third can be successfully passed all is well. Three was called by Pythagoras the perfect number and we frequently find its use symbolical of deity. Thus we might mention the trident of Neptune, the tree-forked lightning of Jove and the three-headed dog of Pluto. The idea of trinity is not confined to Christianity, but occurs in several religions.

In mythology also we find three fates, three furies and three graces, and, coming nearer to our own times, Shakespeare introduces his three witches. In public house signs three seems to play an important part, for we frequently meet with "Three Cups," "Three Jolly Sailors," "Three Bells," "Three Tuns," "Three Feathers"—in fact, the number of almost anything of which a fertile imagination can conceive a trio. In nursery rhymes and tales this number is not unknown, and if we look back to the days of our childhood most of us will call to mind the three wise men of Gotham who took a sea voyage in a bowl, not to mention the three blind mice that had their tails cut off by the farmer's wife. Perhaps there is some occult power in the number which governs the division of novels into three volumes and induces doctors to order their medicine to be taken thrice daily. It is said that some tribes of savages cannot count beyond three. But, although they may have no words to express higher numbers, perhaps we should be scarcely justified in assuming that they are incapable of appreciating the value of the latter.—N. Y. Advertiser.

Wonderful! Marvelous!

are expressions frequently heard about Foley's Kidney Cure. Do not fail to try this great remedy for all kidney trouble. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

The Gibson City Iron works commenced working full time Thursday. This is earlier than before for some years. They have a great rush of orders.

Don't Stop Him!

He has a bad attack of colic and is making for our drug store after a bottle of Foley's Colic Cure. 25c and 50c. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

A son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kersley, living south of Gilman, aged 8, on Tuesday had his legs cut with a mowing machine. They are mangled, but amputation will not be necessary.

Thomas George, a prominent Vermilion county farmer, was arrested for seining in a stream on both sides of which he owns the land. He gave bonds of $100 and proposes to fight the case.

Dr. J. S. Whitmire, one of the oldest and best known physicians in Woodford county, is lying at the point of death at his home in Metamora.

Flanagan is organizing a brass band.

SICK HEADACHE

Positively cured by these Little Pills.

They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They Regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable.

Small Pill. Small Dose. Small Price.

Through Buffet Sleeping Car to Mackinaw, Mich.

Commencing June 21st, the Vandalia Line will resume through Pullman Buffet Sleeping Car Service between St. Louis and Mackinaw. Sleepers will run via Terre Haute, St. Joseph, Grand Rapids and Petoskey-Bay View. This will be the only line of through cars from St. Louis to the delightful and cool resorts of Michigan. South-bound the last sleeping car for the season will leave Mackinaw Sunday night, September 26, 1897. For detailed information address nearest Vandalia Line Agent, or E. A. Ford, General Passenger Agent, St. Louis.

Millard & Julius Maienthal, MANAGERS.

Disease makes a man just as helpless as if he were tied with ropes. Weary lassitude makes his muscles useless—sluggish circulation of impure blood fills his brain with useless clogging matter. Effort is distasteful and brings scant results. The trouble usually starts with the digestion. Too much brain work takes needed blood from stomach to head and retards the stomach's work. The body is not fed. The nerves rebel. Sleep becomes a stranger. Loss of appetite is followed by loss of flesh—and all for the want of the right medicine at the right time. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is for the man who is losing flesh and vitality. It is for the man whose digestion needs help and whose nerves and brain are overworked. It is the greatest of all tonics. No matter what seems to be your trouble, the "Golden Medical Discovery" will cure it. It cures by making the blood pure, rich and plenty, and by furnishing food for nerves and brain. Nothing has ever been found to equal it, but dishonest druggists sometimes try to make you believe that something more profitable to them is "just as good." Do not be deceived. Get what you ask for.

Constipation if neglected brings with it a train of maladies that unfit the sufferer for either the duties or pleasures of life. Sick and bilious headaches and a multitude of other ills are due to constipation. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure constipation promptly and permanently. Druggists sell them. Nothing else is "just the same."

BRIDGE LETTING.

Decatur, Ill., July 12, 1897.

Notice is hereby given that the highway Commissioners of Decatur Township and the Bridge Committee of the Board of Supervisors, all of Macon county, State of Illinois, will on July 24, 1897, at 10 o'clock, at the office of the Town Clerk of Decatur Township, 141 East Main street, Decatur, Ill., receive sealed bids for repairing the Maffit bridge over the Sangamon River in the City of Decatur.

A single contract will be let to include the following items:

(1.) Raising the present metal span and adding four feet of brick masonry to each pier.
(2.) Laying a new floor with wood joists on the present metal span.
(3.) Putting metal hub guards on the present bridge.
(4.) Cleaning, adjusting, and giving the present metal span two coats of paint.
(5.) Constructing one 50x16 foot steel span.
(6.) Constructing one 67x16 foot square steel span.
(7.) Constructing one 67x16 foot skew steel span.
(8.) Constructing one steel pier.
(9.) Constructing two brick abutments.
(10.) Making about 550 cubic yards of grade.

Detailed plans and specifications may be seen at the office of the Town Clerk.

The right is hereby reserved to reject any or all bids. Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check for One Hundred Dollars ($100), payable to the Treasurer of the Highway Commissioners of Decatur Township.

By authority of the Bridge Commissioners.
ALBERT H. COPE, Town Clerk.
IRA O. BAKER, Engineer.
D. A. MAFFIT.
H. MAHANNAH,
WM. BUNDY.
Highway Commissioners of Decatur Tp.
H. HAYS,
JACOB LEBO.
J. E. RUCKER,
12-dtd] Com. from Board of Supervisors.

Administrator's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss

In the County Court of Macon County.

C. G. Wood, Administrator with the Will Annexed of the Estate of Robert Toby, deceased, vs. Kate O. Toby et al —Petition to sell real estate to pay debts.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of the decree in the county court of Macon county, State of Illinois, entered at the June term, 1897, in the above entitled cause, I, C. G. Wood, administrator with the will annexed of the estate of Robert Toby, deceased, will on Saturday, August 21, A. D. 1897, at the hour of two o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house in the City of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder, the following described real estate in Shelby county, Illinois, to-wit: The southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section 33, township 11 north range 2 east of the 3d p. m., containing 40 acres more or less, and the equity of redemption of a part of the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section 34, in said township and range, bounded as follows: Beginning at the northwest corner of the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter, running thence south 40 rods, thence east two rods, thence north 40 rods, thence west 2 rods to the place of beginning, containing one-half acre, more or less also the equity of redemption in 29¾ acres off the west side of the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of said section 34, in said township and range. Said premises being sold free from dower claim of the said Kate C. Toby, widow. Said sale to be upon the following terms. Cash on day of sale.

Dated at Decatur this 13th day of July, A. D. 1897. C. G. WOOD, Adm'r, Etc.
July 13 dtd

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY. } ss In the Circuit Court.

Decatur Mutual Loan Association, Complainant, vs. Marquess L. Booker et al, Defendants—In Chancery. No 16083.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause, at the June term, of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Wednesday, July 28th, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit. Lot twenty-four (24) in Block one (1) in Solana Place, an Addition to the City of Decatur, in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this sixth day of July, 1897.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Outten & Roby, Complainant's Solicitor.
July 6-dtd

SPECIAL TAX NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested, that the city council of the city of Decatur, having ordered that the construction of stone curbing on East Wood street from the east line of South Broadway street, east to the west line of South Webster street, from the north line of East Wood street, south to the north line of Marion street, in the city of Decatur, Macon county, Illinois, the ordinance for the same being on file in the office of the city clerk of said city, have applied to the county court of Macon county, Illinois, for an assessment of the cost of said improvements, according to benefits, upon the abutting property according to frontage; and an assessment or special tax roll thereof having been made and returned to said court, the final hearing thereon will be had at the August term of said court, commencing on the 12th day of August, A. D. 1897. All persons desiring may then and there appear and make their defense.

Decatur, Illinois, July 6, 1897.
GEORGE S. DURFEE,
FRANK KECK,
W. O. TAYLOR,
Commissioners.

Sunday Train Service.

On Sunday, May 30th, the Peoria, Decatur & Evansville Railway will resume the Sunday trains. Train No. 40 going north will pass Decatur at 3:30 p. m. Train No. 41 going south will pass at 11:30 a.m.

People's Column.

Advertisements of Forty words or less may be inserted in this column at the rate of 2c cents per week, payable invariably in advance

For Sale. For Rent. Wanted, Etc.

WANTED.

WANTED—At once, two bright, ambitious young ladies to travel with responsible party through the principal cities of this country; business light, lucrative and respectable. Expenses advanced. Address A, this office. July 6-d6*

WANTED—Paper hanging. With 25 years' experience I am prepared to give prompt attention to all orders from all parts of the city. Prices reasonable and all work guaranteed. New Telephone 306. D. M. SMITH, West end Pugh street car line. Feb 19-dtf.

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT OR FOR SALE—12 room house at 148 West Wood street; water, gas, electric light. The house and stable will be rented for $40 per month. House alone, $35. Possession can be had at any time with one day's notice. Apply to DR. W. J. CHENOWETH, 127 East William street. 12-d6*

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Four room house, pantry and closets. East Lake finish; newly papered; will sell at a sacrifice. Call at No. 1760 North Clinton street; new 'phone 185.—27-tf

FOR SALE—5 acres of land, good 4-room new house, new barn, etc., on gravel road, east end of Decatur; $1700 buys it; possession given immediately. Hurry up; must be sold by March 1st. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf.

MONEY TO LOAN.

FARM LOANS—SIX PER CENT. INTEREST—Lowest commission. Prepayment privileges. Money ready when papers are accepted. Don't contract for a loan until you get my terms. C. E. GIVEN, 605 Millikin Bank Building. Oct 28-d&wtf

ALBERT T. SUMMERS;
—LOAN BROKER,—
All Classes of Loans Negotiated.
145 North Water Street, DECATUR, ILL.

LOANS Of All Kinds Made by **PEGRAM & CO.,**
Room One, over Citizen's Nat. Bank.

LOANS...
Rooms Nos. 1 and 2, 137 North Water street.
LOW RATES.
May 20 dtf GEO. W. EHRHART.

SAMUEL M'BRIDE
LOANS AND SECURITIES,
ROOMS 702-3-4,
MILLIKIN BANK B'L'DG,
DECATUR, ILLINOIS.

I HAVE now on hand to loan $700 on city property, $1,000 and $1500 on farm property. I also have for trade for farm property a fine new two-story eight room house, with bath room, electric light fixtures, gas, cistern and city water, hot and cold water fixtures—on best street in city. Call at once on A. E. PARK, of Bunn & Park, Attorney, Real Estate and Loan, 152 E. Prairie st. July 8-d6

MONEY TO LOAN—I have money to loan on city property and farms without delay. Call and see me. George W. Ehrhart, Real Estate and Loans, Room 10, Opera Block. July 7-d1m

MISCELLANEOUS.

SALESMAN—$5 a day. No canvassing. No deliveries. No collections. Samples free. Side line or exclusive. Mfrs., 3941 Market st., Philadelphia. July 3-d8w

The Decatur Rubber Stamp Works. } If you need a Name Stamp, a Book Mark, a Business Stamp of any kind, or anything in the Commercial Stamp line, place your order with J. M. MYERS, 301 S. Church St., Decatur, Ill. Old Telephone 88.
To July 19, '97.

A GOOD CHANCE to trade your Nebraska land for good Decatur lots. Call on Clark & Schroll, Room 23 Arcade. Apr 17-dtf

R. O. ROSEN, Architect and Builder. Office Rooms 1 and 2, third floor, Review Building, North Main street.

SEE DILTS—If you are wanting a two, three or four inch tubular well, or your old wells made deeper. Well work of all kinds and sizes, from two inches to three feet. 723 N. Water or 1712 E. Prairie street. nov29 dtf

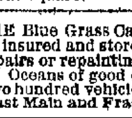
TWO FINE CORNER LOTS in "King's Orchard," clear of encumbrances; $1700 buys them, or will trade for house of about equal value. Look this up. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main st. Feb 16-dtf

$700 buys new three-room house, one acre of land, fifty choice bearing fruit trees, all on gravel road on the outskirts of Decatur. Who wants this? PETER H BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

$225 buys fine lot on North Union street, 40x80. What's the matter with this! nothing—only the owner needs money. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

STEAMSHIP TICKETS to all parts of Europe; either first or second cabin, or steerage tickets, at the very lowest prices. For further information call at office. PETER H. BRUECK, Agent Hamburg-American Line, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

STORAGE GOODS FOR SALE.—We have a lot of household goods, bedroom suit, chairs, couches, carpets, etc., in good condition, that we will sell cheap to pay the storage due on them. This is a bargain for some one. BACHMAN BROS. & MARTIN CO. June 10-dtf



HORSES and COWS

wanted in exchange for Vehicles and Bicycles. We will allow cash prices and trade merchandise on the same basis. J. G. STARR & SON, Lincoln Square. June 16-dtf

THE Blue Grass Carriage shop. Your vehicle insured and stored at my risk free of cost, if repairs or repainting is necessary for spring use. Oceans of good dry room, and I want one to two hundred vehicles on these terms. Corner of East Main and Franklin streets. June6-dtf

RHEUMATISM CURED.—For the past nine years I have suffered intensely with rheumatism and neuralgia. The last attack was very severe. After suffering for some time I was induced by a friend to take Cerrodanio Capsules without cessation. To my surprise they cured me in a short time. I recommend them to all who suffer with rheumatism or neuralgia. R. O. ROSEN, Architect, Decatur, Ill. April 25-dtf

THE "Dollar Special" cabinet photo is still being made. $1.00 per dozen. Proofs shown. Accuacy and permanence guaranteed. Dark days no hindrance in getting good negatives. East End Gallery, 1079 E. Eldorado St. Dec. 30 d&wtf

Administratrix' Notice.

Estate of Herman Coble, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administratrix of the estate of Herman Coble, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the September term, on the first Monday in September next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 25th day of June, 1897.
SALOMA F. COBLE, Administratrix.
D. C. Corley, Attorney. June28-d3w

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss. In the Circuit Court.

In Chancery. No. 16104.

Mary Ann Bolton, complainant, vs. Anna M. Fesler, et. al., defendants.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the June Term of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

Tuesday, the 10th day of August 1897,

at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Commencing 15 feet west of northwest corner of block twenty (20), in the town (now city) of Maroa, thence running west parallel with the south side of Fourth street, to the west line of section 11, township 18 north, range 2 east of the third p. m., thence south 400 feet, thence east to a point 15 feet west of southwest corner of block 20, thence north to the place of beginning, also a strip of ground 15 feet wide adjoining block 20 on the west side of said block 20, being in the original town of Maroa, situated in the county of Macon and state of Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 10th day of July, A. D. 1897.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
C. C. Christianson, Complainant's Solicitor.
July 12-dtd

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY. } ss In the Circuit Court

The Blue Mound Savings, Loan and Building Association, Complainant, vs. Joseph A. Quearry et al, Defendants—In Chancery; No. 16170.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the June Term of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

Saturday, July 31st, 1897,

at the hour of 2 o clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit: Lots nine (9) and ten (10), in block four (4), in the Village of Blue Mound, Macon county, Ill.

Dated Decatur, Illinois, this 9th day of July, A. D. 1897.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Alex. McIntosh and P. L. Van Cleve, Com. Sol
July 9-dtd

Executor's Notice of Final Settlement

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss

Estate of Thomas Wilson, Deceased.

To Sarah Wilson, Thomas W. Oakes, Frank Oakes, Lula Oakes and Lelah Addis, widow and legatees of said estate:

You are hereby notified that on Monday, July 19th, 1897, the undersigned, executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, will present to the county court of Macon county, at Decatur, Illinois, his final report of his acts and doings as such executor, and ask the court to be discharged from any and all further duties and responsibilities connected with said estate and his administration thereof, at which time and place you may be present and resist such application, if you choose so to do.

[Signed] D. L. BUNN, Executor,
June 17-d2w

SEALED BIDS.

Public notice is hereby given that the contract for furnishing the City of Decatur, Illinois, with brick to repair the paved streets during the season of 1897 as may be required by the City Council and that sealed bids or proposals will be received at the office of the City Comptroller from date of publication hereof up to the hour of five o'clock p. m. on Thursday, July 15, 1897.

Each bid must be accompanied by samples of the brick proposed to be furnished, not less than four in number.

Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check in the sum of One Hundred Dollars.

The Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Decatur, Illinois, July 5, 1897.
H. F. ROBBINS,
July 5-d10 City Comptroller.

EXECUTRIX' NOTICE.

Estate of Michael Walsh, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed executrix of the estate of Michael Walsh, late of the county of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the September term, on the first Monday in September next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 26th day of June, 1897.
ROSA KELLER, Executrix
June 26-d3w

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Anna Maria Melchoirs, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed executor of the estate of Anna Maria Melchoirs, late of the county of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the August term, on the first Monday in August next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 18th day of June, 1897.
ANTON SPAETH, Executor
of the Eestate of Anna Maria Melchoirs, Deceased.
Alexander McIntosh, Att'y.
June 18-d3w

I., D. & W. Railway Excursions.

Excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings:

Grand Army of the Republic, Buffalo, N. Y., August 21 to 24.

Baptist Young People's Union, Chattanooga, Tenn., July 13, 14 and 15.

Epworth League, Toronto, July 15 to 18.

Tennessee Centennial and International Exposition, Nashville, Tenn., May 1st to Oct 31st.

Warsaw, Ind., account Winona Assembly, May 15 to August 31.

Rome City, Ind., account Island Park Assembly, July 18th to 31st.

Bethany Park, Ind., account Bethany Park Assembly, July 28th to August 15th.

Indianapolis, Ind., account Y. P. C. Union. Sell August 17th and 18th; good returning till August 24th.

Coleron, N. Y., (Lake Chautauqua) account meeting Photographers' Association. One fare round trip. Tickets sold July 11th and 12th, good returning not earlier than July 10th, and not later than July 20th.

Detroit, Mich., account annual convention National Republican League of the United States. One fare round trip. Tickets sold July 12th and 13th. Good returning till July 16th.

Cincinnati, O., account German Epworth League, July 21st and 22d.

For full information regarding dates of sale, limits of tickets, rate, maps and descriptive advertising matter, write or apply to K. Harwood, General Agent, or C. A. Pollock, Ticket Agent, I. D. & W. Railroad, Decatur, Ill.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL EXCURSIONS.

Toronto, Ont., July 15-18, Epworth League National Convention. Tickets sold July 13th, 14th and 15th, good returning to and including July 24th, with the privilege of an extension of time to leave Toronto on or before August 12th, provided ticket is deposited with the agent of Terminal line at Toronto prior to July 24th. Tickets to permit stop over in Canada, within authorized limit, except that tickets extended for return beyond July 24th shall be available only for continuous return passage. One fare for the round trip.

Coleron (Lake Chautauqua) N. Y., July 13 to 20. Tickets sold July 11 and 12, with final return limit of July 20. One fare round trip.

Detroit, Mich., July 6-13. Tickets sold July 5 and 6, good to return to and including July 14th. One fare round trip.

Annual meeting National Educational Association at Milwaukee, Wis., July 6 to 9. Tickets sold on July 3d, 4th and 5th. Tickets limited to return on July 10, 11 or 12, 1897, only. Extension of time may be had if tickets are deposited with Joint Agent at Milwaukee on or before July 12, 1897, and paying 50 cents at time of deposit. Extension tickets good leaving Milwaukee on any date up to and including August 31, 1897, but passengers must leave Milwaukee on first train after tickets are taken out of hands of Joint Agent. Rate from Decatur $9.00 round trip.

Tickets on sale at Union Depot or City Office 121 East William Street.

Railroad Column

R. R. TIME TABLES.

[Corrected to May 29, 1897.]

Wabash Line

TO CHICAGO.		FROM CHICAGO.	
12	* 1:55 a m	13	* 3:30 a m
14	*11:45 a m	15	* 3.55 p m
16	† 8:45 a m	17	† 7:35 p m
TO ST. LOUIS.		FROM ST. LOUIS.	
3	* 3:40 a m	6	* 5:25 a m
11	* 6:55 a m	4	*11.25 a m
5	† 4:05 p m	14	*11.42 a m
15	* 4:00 p m	10	† 8.58 p m
1	*12:18 a m	2	*11:17 p m
7	* 7:20 p m	12	*12:55 a m
		16 Sun. only	10.00 p m
TO TOLEDO.		FROM TOLEDO.	
6	* 5:28 a m	1	*12:10 p m
4	†11:30 a m	7	* 7 17 p m
2	*11:20 p m	5	† 8.50 p m
10 Laf acm.	†4:41 p m	3	* 2:20 a m
10 Dan.	†8:45 a m	11	†10:07 a m
TO QUINCY.		FROM QUINCY.	
5	* 4:07 p m	4	*11:20 a m
3	* 5:40 a m	2	*10:40 p m
17 Spfd only	† 7:40 p m	16 from Spfg	† 8.42 a m
11 Spfd acm	†10:11 a m	10 Effg. acm.	† 4:37 p m

*Daily. †Daily except Sunday.

Vandalia Line.

In effect May 16, 1897.
Trains Leave Decatur, Illinois.

FOR THE WEST.
No. 7, Ex., Sun. 10:50 a. m. .... For Peoria
No. 21, Ex. Sun. 7:00 a. m. .... For Peoria

FOR THE EAST.
No. 2, Ex., Sun., 1:28 p. m. ...... For Terre Haute
No. 12, Ex. Sun. 7:40 a. m. ...... For Terre Haute

For complete Time Card, giving all trains and stations, and for full information as to rates, through cars, etc., address J. C. Millspaugh, T. P. A., Decatur, Ill., or E. A. Ford, Gen'l Pass. Agt., St. Louis, Mo.

Illinois Central.

NORTH.	SOUTH.
Diamond Special, daily .... 1:32 a m	Diamond Special, daily .... 2:55 a m
No. 104, daily 11:25 a m	No. 125 pass. ex. Sunday ...... 9:30 a m
No. 194 freight ex. Sunday ...... 2:00 p m	No. 193 freight ex. Sunday ..... 10:10 a m
No. 107 pass. ex. Sunday ...... 6:11 p m	No. 123, daily, 8:32 p m
No. 702 (Champ'n line) leaves, ex. Sunday ..... 2:25 p m	No. 701 (Champ'n line) arrives ex. Sunday ..... 10:15 a m
No. 704—to Chicago, via Champa'n, daily 7:10 a m	No. 703—From Chicago, daily 7:55 p m
No. 120 daily to Chicago ..... 11:52 a m	No. 119 daily, to St. Louis ..... 2:58 p m

Peoria, Decatur and Evansville.

Arrive from Peoria	Arrive from Evansville
A No. 1 ...... 10:42 a. m.	A No. 2 .... 2:41 p. m.
D No. 3 ...... 10:10 p. m.	A No. 4 .... 6:15 a. m.
A No. 11 ...... 2:30 p. m.	S No. 36 .... 7:10 a. m.
S No. 41 ...... 11:10 a. m.	S No. 40 .... 3:10 p. m.
Depart for Peoria	**Depart for Evansville**
A No. 2 .... 2:47 p. m.	A No. 1 .... 10:50 a. m.
A No. 4 .... 6:35 a. m.	D No. 3 .... 10:20 p. m.
S No. 36 .... 7:30 a. m.	A No 11 .... 3:15 p. m.
S No. 40 .... 6:30 p. m.	S No. 41 .... 11:30 a. m.
A No. 10 ..... 10:42 a. m.	
"A"—Daily Except Sunday.	"D"—Daily. "S" Sunday Only.

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ARRIVE.	LEAVE.
No. 1 Pass. ... 2:25 p m	No. 4 Pass. ... 10:50 p m
No. 3 Pass. ... *1:00 a m	No. 2 Pass. ... †11:25 a m
" 7 .... 10:00 a m	" 8 .... 4:00 a m
" 9 .... 8:00 p m	" 10 .... 4:00 p m

*Daily. †Except Sunday. ‡Sunday only

WABASH EXCURSIONS.

The Wabash Railroad will sell excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings:

Coleron, N. Y., (Lake Chautauqua,) account meeting of Photographers' Association. One fare round trip. Tickets sold July 11th and 12th, good returning not earlier than July 15th, and not later than July 20th.

Detroit, Mich., account annual convention National Republican League of the United States. One fare round trip. Tickets sold July 12th and 13th, good returning till July 16th.

Summer tickets now on sale to the mountains and sea shore.

Baptist Young People's Union, Chattanooga, Tenn., in July.

Epworth League, Toronto, July 15 to 18.

Tennessee Centennial and International Exposition, Nashville, Tenn., May 1st to Oct. 31st. Sunday low rate tickets will be sold from all stations east of Mississippi River, except to points north of Bement on Chicago Division, Sundays at very low rates—good going and returning Sunday only.

St. Louis and return. Tickets sold every Saturday afternoon and Sunday. One fare round trip.

Chicago, Ill., account unveiling Logan monument July 21st and 22d. One fare round trip; tickets sold July 21st and 22d, with a return limit to July 26th.

Salt Lake City, July 14th to 17th, and July 20th to 25th, Trans-Mississippi Congress and Utah Pioneer Jubilee; one fare round trip.

Buffalo, N. Y., account G. A. R. Encampment. Sell August 21, 22 and 23; good returning till Sept. 30 One cent a mile.

Cincinnati, O., account German Epworth League. Sell July 21st and 22d, good returning till July 26th. One fare round trip.

Toronto, account Epworth League; sell July 13th, 14th and 15th; good returning till August 12th. Tickets on sale via all rail or via rail and lake. One fare round trip.

Homeseekers' Excursions to principal points in the South, West and Southwest on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, good returning every Tuesday or Friday for 21 days. One fare, plus $2 00, for the round trip.

Warsaw (Eagle Lake) Ind., account Winona Assembly. Sell daily till August 31st, good returning 15 days from date of sale. $7.10 round trip.

Indianapolis, Ind., account Y. P. C. U. Sell August 17th and 18th; good returning till Sept. 12th. One fare round trip.

Indianapolis, Ind., account S. of V., Sell Sept. 8th and 9th; good returning till Sept. 15th.

Chattanooga, Tenn., account B. Y. P. U. Sell July 13, 14 and 15, good returning till August 15. One fare round trip.

Palmer, Ill., account Farmers' Picnic. Tickets sold July 22d; one and one-third fare round trip; good returning same day.

For full information regarding dates of sale limits of tickets, rates, maps and descriptive advertising matter, write or apply to C. A. Pollock, passenger and ticket agent Wabash ral. road, Decatur, Ills.

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For a copy of the Southern Homeseekers' Guide, describing the agricultural advantages of the country traversed by the Illinois Central and the Yazoo & Mississippi Valley railroads, address, at Manchester, Iowa, J. F. Merry, Assistant General Passenger Agent. For information in regard to Railroad Lands in Southern Illinois and in the famous Yazoo Valley of the Mississippi, address at Chicago, E. P. Skene, Land Commissioner, I. C. R. R.

Tickets and full information concerning all of the above can be had of agents of the Illinois Central and connecting lines.

A. H. HANSON, Gen'l Pass'r Agent, Chicago.

P., D. & E. EXCURSIONS.

Tennessee Centennial and International Exposition, Nashville, Tenn., May 1—October 31, 1897. We learn that our people are offered a very low rate to the Nashville Exposition via the P. D. & E. Railway. The time via this route is from seven to nine hours quicker than via any other route. With the inducement of the very low rate offered, every one should see the International Exposition, which, it is said, stands second to the Chicago Exposition among the large number of Expositions which have been held in recent years.

The P. D. & E. Railway offer a low rate of $8.10 from Decatur with limit of ten days. Tickets of twenty day limit and also with limit Nov. 7th, may be had at a little higher rate. If any circular or information is desired it will be furnished upon inquiry from P. D. & E. Agent, or by writing direct to A. G. Palmer, who is General Passenger Agent at Evansville, Ind.
June 1-to Oct 31

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Go via the Wabash to Chicago on cheap $2.00 excursion Saturday and Sunday, July 17th and 18th.

Extremely low prices on buggies and carriages for a short time only. Leon & Morris, 138 East Wood street.—28-d&wtf

Wait for the grand excursion to Niagara Falls over the Wabash new line, July 29, 1897. Only $8.50 round trip. For particulars, apply to any Wabash ticket agent.

Call at the Wabash city office and get a list of the attractions at Niagara Falls for the excursion of July 29th.

A meeting of the committee having in charge the arrangements for the annual circuit camp meeting will be held next Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Millikin's bank. The final arrangements for the meeting will be made.

The I. D. & W. Ry. will run a Sunday excursion to Indianapolis July 18. Rate $1 round trip. Special train will leave Decatur at 7 a.m., returning leave Indianapolis 6:30 p. m.—10-d1w

A few days ago Charles Laux lost a pair of gold rimmed nose glasses, which he would be pleased to have returned to him. He will gladly pay a suitable reward to the finder for the return of the glasses.

The Wabash will sell tickets to Chicago for $2.00 for trains 8:45 a. m., 11:45 a. m. of Saturday, July 17th, and 1:05 a. m. of Sunday, July 18th.

The Peoria, Decatur & Evansville Ry. Co. to Peoria, Sunday, July 18. Round trip 75 cents. Don't miss it. Bicycles carried free in baggage car. Train leaves Union depot, Decatur, 7:30 a. m.; train leaves Union depot, Peoria, 7.30 p. m. A. G. Palmer, Gen. Pass. Agent, Evansville, Ind. H. B. Dyer, Decatur, Ill.—10-d6t

Charles L. Luce, who was arrested Monday night by Deputy Sheriff Holmes on a charge of selling mortgaged property, preferred by Attorney W. N. Andrews, had a hearing yesterday before Justice O'Mara. Luce and his wife both testified that he had not signed the mortgage and his wife testified that she herself had signed his name to it. Justice Smith dismissed the case as the mortgage was irregular. Attorney A. H. Mills prosecuted the case and Attorney W. H. Black conducted the defense.

Wait for the grand excursion to Niagara Falls over the Wabash new line July 29, 1897; only $8.50 round trip. For particulars apply to any Wabash ticket agent.—10-d18t

Treat for Columbia Lodge.

The members of Columbia Lodge, No 199 Daughters of Rebekah, were entertained in capital style last night at the hospitable home of Mr and Mrs. Charles F. Bachman No. 437 North Broadway. There were 60 guests in the party. The entertainment was from 8 to 12 o'clock. There were selections by the Smith Bell Ringers and humorous readings by Miss Lillian Irwin, after which all entertained themselves at parlor games. Fine refreshments were served during the evening. Mrs. Bachman was assisted in entertaining her guests by Mesdames J. L. Drake, D. L. Nixon and Misses Libbie Bachman and Minnie Hoyt.

Take a Swim.

The Nat. at Riverside is now open every day and evening.

It is the finest place in the city to spend an hour.

The water is always fresh, clean and warm.

There will be a great time at the Nat. the 3rd, 4th and 5th.

Do not fail to take it in.

Otto Weaver, a competent instructor always present.—3-tf

State Firemen's Tournament.

Illinois State Firemen's tournament, Monmouth, Ill., July 27, 28, 29, 1897 The largest meeting of firemen ever held in the west. The P., D. & E. will give rate of one fare for the round trip. Tickets on sale July 26, good to return until and including July 30, 1897.—9-d10t

Died,

In Long Creek township on July 13, Phillis Grim, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Grim, aged 17 months. The cause of death was summer complaint. The funeral will be held on Thursday at 9 a. m. Burial in Greenwood cemetery.

Service for Young Men.

Next Sunday at 10:30 a. m. a special service for young men will be held at the Methodist church at Elwin. N. W. Woodford, the secretary of the Y. M. C. A. will be the speaker of the occasion.

CUT DOWN THE BODY.

What a Wife and Sister Did on a Farm East of Macon.

It was stated in the Republican last evening that Fernando D. Bromley had committed suicide by hanging at his farm east of Macon six miles, but none of the particulars were given.

Mr. Bromley was 62 years of age and the owner of a farm of 160 acres. He had been affected by the heat of last week, and was in poor health. He seemed despondent and restless and when he got up early Tuesday morning he was worried. He did not make many complaints, and was able to get about, but not with his customary spirit. Mrs. Bromley proposed that they arrange to drive over into Moultrie county to visit for a few days, and Mr. Bromley assented to the proposition. Then he went out to the barn to feed the stock. That was the last seen of him alive. He was gone perhaps half an hour, when Mrs. Bromley became worried about him. She sought him in vain and fearing that something terrible had happened, she called to Mrs. Helen M. Merris, sister of the deceased, to come over and assist her in the search. Both ladies called Mr. Bromley's name loudly as they went into different parts of the lot and barn. Finally Mrs. Bromley climbed up the ladder into the hay loft and was shocked to discover that her husband had committed suicide by hanging himself from a rafter, using a halter strap. The two women scarcely knew what to do. They felt of the body and found it warm. They tried in vain to untie the halter. It was drawn so tightly with the weight of the body that they were powerless to untie it. Mrs. Merris put her hand into her brother's pocket and got out his knife. The halter was cut and alone the wife and sister lowered the body to the floor of the loft. It was too late. The heart had ceased to beat. Death had come before the body was found.

Coroner Bendure held the inquest during the afternoon. The jury was composed of Asa Merris, E. L. Hight, P. A. Adams, James McNeal, T. W. McComb and S. L. Licklider. Only two witnesses were examined. Mrs. George Merris was the first witness examined. She testified that Mr. Bromley had seemed very despondent early in the morning. He was found about 6 o'clock hanging in the barn. Mrs. Merris testified that she tried to untie the knot but could not, and she reached in his pocket and got his knife and cut the rope and that he was dead when they got him down. Mrs. Bromley testified as follows: "I went to the barn, as I was suspicious of him. I went into the loft and found him hanging from the roof. I raised him up and felt of his heart and he was dead."

The verdict was that F. D. Bromley came to his death by hanging himself while temporarily insane.

THE WATSON ASSIGNMENT.

Report of Assignee Hankins Now on File in the County Court.

The report of Charles S. Hankins, assignee of the estate of N. T. Watson, has been filed in the county court. It is as follows:

Merchandise sold	$4 425 72
Personal accounts	357 86
Auction sale of accounts	5 00
Real estate	100 00
Fixtures	159 60
Rebate on insurance	6 42
Total	$5,054 60

The expenditures were as follows:

Auctioneer	$ 258 00
Printing and advertising	109 10
Rent of store room	295 67
Attorney fee	200 00
Clerk hire	709 30
Cutter and tailors	354 50
Coal	5 30
Freight	1 90
Painting signs	8 50
Stationary and stamps	5 20
Recording assignment	2 50
Auctioneer's platform and bell	5 68
Sundries	16 10
Gas and light	45 71
Tax on real estate	3.11
Interest on real estate mortgage	21.00
Abstract	5.00
Preferred labor claims	73.25
Judgment creditors	1,477.80
N. T. Watson's exemption	400 00
Merchandise bought	44.66
Assignee's fee	1,006.00
Total paid out	$5,008 66
Balance due	45.94

The judgment creditors who were paid in full were C. S. Hankins, $408.25; Peddecord, Burrows & Co., $676; E. W. Moore, $306.

The total amount of claims that were not preferred was $4,479.

Judge Hammer will pass on the report. D. C. Corley represents many of the outside creditors and will enter objection to the approval of some of the items of expenditure.

At the Sanner House.

The monthly meeting and missionary tea yesterday afternoon and last evening, given by the ladies of the Women's Foreign Missionary society of the First M. E. church, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sanner, West Macon street, attracted a large number of friends. The reception throughout was a very enjoyable affair. In the afternoon the business meeting was held, the subject for discussion being "The Famine in India." The meeting opened with devotional exercises and nearly all of the ladies present took part in the discussion. Among the pleasant features of the afternoon was a song by Miss Anna Packard, a paper by Miss Maude Augustine and a reading by Miss Sarah Imboden. The business session was ended shortly before 6 o'clock after which tea and wafers were served. In the evening there were over fifty persons present to hear the evening program, among them being a few gentlemen friends of the society. The following was the program for the evening:

Leaflet, "From Greenland's Icy Mountains"—Miss Bixby.
Piano Solo—Miss Bessie Lutz.
Duet—Miss Lutz and Mr. Pierce.
Vocal Solo—Miss Ollie Sutton.
Recitation—Miss Adelaide Danely.
Violin Solo—Roy Sanner.

MR. GASTMAN OUT WEST.

Decatur People in California—The Climate is Delightful.

Under date of July 10 Mr. E. A. Gastman from Los Angeles, Cal., writes as follows:

Eds. Republican—I have enjoyed every moment of my brief visit in southern California. At Riverside I visited in a day the Lukens family. The father, Comely Lukens, is now 74, but he attends to business as promptly and earnestly as in Decatur forty years ago. The mother is also in good health. The girls, Lizzie and Lucy, ride bicycles and enjoy life to the full. The latter has three interesting children. They drove me through orange groves for several hours, until I was satisfied there was no danger that we would have oranges enough in Illinois and that we need not try to diversify our farming by attempting to raise them under glass. At Cucumonyu I met my old teacher of 40 years ago, J. M. Moore. He has a ranch of 40 acres almost exclusively given up to raising olives.

In Los Angeles I was surprised to find the Edwards. One son was a clerk in Linn & Scruggs and the younger one helped Henry Lyon to sell groceries. Miss Mary M. Edwards was a successful teacher in our schools for seven years. They showed me the beautiful city and the day was a delightful one in every way. I also met here my old class mate in the Normal school, Silas Hayes. Also Prof. M. L. Seymour, for many years the teacher of sciences in our Normal school. He still expresses great pleasure in the remembrance of his visit to the graduating exercises of our high school nearly 20 years ago.

As I have been here just two days of course I am not prepared to tell you all about this lovely city of 100,000 inhabitants. But please excuse me now as I am very busy. It is enough to say that some of the homes surpass anything I ever looked upon in my life. The climate just now is all that could be desired, cool, bright and breezy. E. A. Gastman.

A NIGHT AT THE MARTIN HOME

Decatur People Splendidly Entertained North of the City—Platform Dance and Supper.

Every one of the 150 people who were fortunate in receiving invitations to attend a splendid entertainment given last night at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Martin had a very delightful time. They went out in vehicles early in the evening, and had a pleasant drive over the gravel road, a distance of seven miles, and when they arrived at the Martin place, which is one of the finest farms in Macon county, made so by the industry and good taste of Mr. Martin, all received a most cordial welcome. All were made to feel at home at once, and the congenial company proceeded to have a good time. The first feature of the gathering was the fine supper which was spread upon the spacious lawn. Everybody brought well-filled baskets and there was more than enough and then some. The weather was all that could be desired, and as the appointments for the outing were first class, the occasion was all the more enjoyable.

The Platform Dance.

Another pleasing feature of the occasion, to the young people particularly, was the platform dance. The opera house orchestra was in attendance, and until after 12 o'clock everybody said: "On with the dance. let joy be unconfined." The space for the dancing was a platform 30x60 feet, and it was crowded all evening by those who kept time to the entrancing music.

The guests were handsomely entertained during their stay, and all feel grateful to Mr. and Mrs. Martin for their generous hospitality. Will Pluck contributed largely to the success of the visit and entertainment, assisting his uncle and aunt actively in the preparations and in seeing that all invited had a pleasant time.

The Y. M. C. A. Star Lecture Course.

The educational committee of the Y. M. C. A. met last night in the rooms and commenced work pushing the lecture course. A number of people have been inquiring for tickets and the committee members decided it was time to get to work. The following were appointed to work the city with tickets:

Smith Munson D. R. Potts, C. O. Barnard, J. A. Dawson, S. M. McCane, J. S. Baldwin, W. G. Deakins, Milton Johnson, Jr., G. T. Tucker, Mr. Thompson, E. P. Irving, C. S. Gosbert, N. W. Woodford, D. A. Strader, R. W. Hatfield and Elmer Wood.

The committee on religious work held a meeting and laid a few plans preliminary to getting ready to work up an attendance at the state convention, which will be held from October 20 to 24.

The Blenz Case.

Martin Blenz has settled the charge for the alleged offense of selling mortgaged property to Dennis Murray was dimissed in Justice O'Mara's court, as the father of the accused had settled with Mr. Murray in full. In the county court Blenz was fined $20 and costs for renting property for immoral purposes.

SHOWS AT THE GRAND.

A Fine Line of Attractions Booked for the Coming Season by Manager Given.

Manager Fred Given of the Grand opera house was seen at his office this morning. He had just returned from his annual trip to the city of New York, and was busily engaged in looking over his mail. He appeared as if he had been greatly refreshed by his stay of nearly a month in the big city by the sea, mingling with beauty and fashion and getting next to the leading theatrical managers that he might secure some of the best attractions for the entertainment of the Decatur people during the coming season, which will open about September 6. It was well for us all who like to see good shows at the Grand that Mr. Given was in New York in person. The show managers do not have a very exalted opinion of Decatur as a good point to bring their companies. The business as we all know was very bad in this city last season. The managers keep tab on Decatur, as they do on every other town they visit, and the worst thing about the system is that all other managers having desirable attractions, and who have not come to Decatur, know exactly what sort of business the other companies do here, and thus it is that Decatur has been given the black eye in a professional sense. The people failed to patronize the shows as they had in former years, and nearly every show was a losing venture throughout the season. Manager Given had to fight hard for his bookings. Everything considered he had a very successful trip. There is a feeling in New York that business generally will be better during the coming season, and nearly all were willing to give Decatur another trial.

Manager Given secured some of the very best attractions and hopes that the people will turn out and witness the plays. Among the attractions booked are the following:

The Brownies, spectacular.

Joseph Jefferson and his own company in his new play.

"Under the Red Rose," a fine romantic drama.

"The Prisoner of Zenda."

Joseph Holland in his comedy, "The Mysterious Mr. Bugle."

Sol Smith Russell in a new play.

"My Friend from India," a comedy drama.

Rice's "1492" for Thanksgiving day.

Primrose & West's big minstrels.

Keller, the magician, for Christmas afternoon and night.

"The Sporting Duchess," comic opera.

Mr. Otis Skinner and Mr. Thomas W. Keene in tragedies.

"The Girl from Paris," burlesque.

Hoyt's "Milk White Flag."

Mr. Lewis Morrison in his new play.

Besides the foregoing and many other good plays Manager Given has booked a number of farce comedies and melodramas.

STATE FAIR PREMIUM LIST.

Copies of the Programme Being Sent to All Interested.

The premium list of the Illinois state fair is being distributed. The offerings aggregate $45,000, and the classification is made to conform as nearly as practicable to that of the world's fair, which will insure a greater uniformity in exhibits, especially in the live stock classes, than heretofore.

A program of special attractions to be presented during the week for the annual exhibition is being arranged and will soon be made public. Negotiations are under way with the managers of some leading attractions. Many applications have been received for stalls for live stock and exhibit space for farm machinery, vehicles and mercantile displays.

Among the other prizes offered by the association is one in which the corn growers of Illinois will be especially interested which is as follows:

"To the person raising the greatest amount of corn on one acre of measured ground, all things considered, first premium, one set of Fairbanks farm scales and $100; second premium, $100; third premium, $50.

The Railroad Y. M. C. A.

E. L. Hamilton, the railroad secretary of the international committee of the Y. M. C. A., was in the city today. With the local secretary he will look up a suitable location for the proposed railroad association which is to be started here and make a report to the general headquarters.

Passengers Take Notice.

All children over six years of age will be charged full fare. In cases of more than one child half fare will be charged.

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